FRUIT CROP **OUTLOOK GOOD**

Peach Yield Expected to Be 100 Per Cent. in Several Counties; Apples 97.

GRAIN PROSPECT NORMAL

Conditions of the Winter Wheat and Rye in the Ground Gives Every Indication Would Raise Almost the Usual Crops.

-- Harrisburg.

Unusually bright prospects for the 1917 peach and apple crops are indicated in the April reports of the crop correspondents of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The condition of the peach blossoms indicates splendid yields, and, while the country faces a shortage of grain crops, the Pennsylvania orchards show every promise of a bumper fruit year.

While the United States faces a short wheat and rye crop, the condition of the winter wheat and rye in the ground in Pennsylvania on April I gave every indication that, agriculturally, the Keystone State would again come forth in an emergency and raise almost a normal crop of both

The prospect of a nomal peach crop at this time a year ago was about 63 per cent., but present reports indicate that the crop will be above 80 per cent. of normal for the entire State. The percentage, however, will be greatly increased, as the peach district in Adams, Franklin, Bedford, Cumberland and York counties indicates a yield of almost 97 per cent. of normal. This is a remarkable average for this time of the year, and the largest peach crop ever known in the history of the State can be anticipated if late frosts and pests do not create any damage. In Adams, Franklin and York counties a 100 per cent. crop is expected, while conditions in Bedford county indicate a 90 per cent. crop, and in Cumberland county a 95 per cent. crop. Many new orchards in this district will come into bearing during the present season and increase the crop.

Frosts Damaged Lowland Crops. In the northern tier and some of the central counties the heavy frosts killed many of the buds on trees in lowlands, and the prospects for large crops have been materially lessened. available plot These counties are not important commercial peach-growing districts. Counties where the indications point to less than 60 per cent. of a normal crop are: Allegheny, Armstrong, Butler. Cambria, Cameron, Clarion, Forest. Greene. Jefferson, Lackawanna, Lawrence, Venango, Westmoreland and Wyoming.

Twenty-two countles report that indications are that the apple crop of 1917 will be a normal one and the general average for the State is 97 per cent. Reports indicate that the condition of the apple trees and the splendid and that the April prospects were 11 per cent, ahead of the condition at this time a year ago, when there was promise of about \$8 per cent, of a normal yield. The southern apple belt shows every indication of a crop of 100 per cent, or better, while prospects in the northern tier counties, famous for their Baldwins, are also close to the normal yield.

Grading Adds to Importance.

With the proposed new apple grading and packing laws, which are now before the Legislature, the coming season promises to be one of the most important commercially in the history of the State. Pennsylvania produces apples that have no superior anywhere in the country and, with a standard of grading, they will doubtless command a big market throughout the country this year.

During March, the condition of both wheat and rye in the State improved materially, according to reports received by the Bureau of Statistics of ment of 3 per cent. and represented to supervise community gardening. 90 per cent, as compared with an 95 per cent., but the reports from the 800 crop correspondents indicated Carlisle. splendid growth and development and led to the hope of almost an average crop for harvest in the fall.

Expect Yield Slightly Short. The big wheat producing counties in the central and southeastern end of heavy loss through the frosts in in assembling motor trucks. February and March was wiped away shown in the fields. The number of grain ranged from four to 13, with the average of the State about seven.

State Grazing Plans.

Commissioner of Forestry Robert S. Conklin issued instructions to the foresters and rangers of the Pennsyl- at stowe for two months. vania Forest Service covering the use the fact that almost 25,000,000 trees Government orders are being filled. have been planted on the State forests general grazing cannot be granted, and each application must be treated for trucking purposes. separately. However, sufficient area remains in the 1,000,000-acre preserve to provide grazing.

Raise Honey, Food Crisis Advice.

"Raise honey to take the place of sugar" was the advice sounded by Pro- 1000 farmers in a meeting at Mefersor H. A. Surface, head of the State chanicsburg, addressed by Carl Vroo-Bookkeepers' Association and former man, Assistant U. S. Secretary of state zoologist, in a statement made Agriculture.

the various queen bees and in every tice to military drill.

PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFS

A small American flag fluttering from a robin's nest in the top of a tall maple tree in Prospect Hill cemetery attracted much attention at York. The birds had evidently obtained it from one of the soldier graves in the ceme-

Many women are seeking positions on the Pennsy at Altoona.

Three thousand Greensburgers had their hair cut in one day, to beat the 10-cent raise next day.

Rev. Ladislau Kloucheck, of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Mahanoy City, presented himself as a volunteer in the service of Uncle Sam.

Culm banks, mined 50 years ago by the late J. C. Haydon, a Hazleton operator, are to be run through the Jeansville breaker and marketed. Orders have been issued for the

organization of three additional engineer companies for the division of the National Guard of Pennsylvania. The State Industrial Board has fixed November 1 as the time when all cellar and basement bakeshops in

Long-winded commencement orators will be figuratively muzzled at Hazleton graduation exercises this year. York has completed a fund of \$1,000

for the purchase of a Red Cross ambulance for use on the battlefield of Europe, which shall bear the name "York."

Franklin Elks cleared \$1200 for their charity fund by recent minstrel

To aid in gaining the needed recruits for the Red Cross, a recruiting tent has been erected in Mechanics-

Beer has been increased \$1 a barrel at Sunbury, and dealers say the size of the glass will have to be

Speculators have visited the farmers in the Mahoning and other valleys and offered to purchase their entire potato and onion crops, to be grown this year-potatoes at \$1.60 in the

Fifty per cent. more marriage li enses were issued in Blair county in April, 1917, than in any previous

Sunbury's master bakers have put the prices of bread up from 5 and 10 cents to 6 and 12 cents.

The Mayor of Altoona in a proclamation urges cultivation of every

More than 300 persons have signed a petition for a curfew in Sunbury.

The 10-day campaign to raise \$150, 000 for the new Y. M. C. A. building closed at Norristown and when the 200 workers reported it was found the amount collected was \$200,024. There was great enthusiasm in City Hall when the success was announced. Harris L. Haupt, janitor of the First

Reformed Church, Sunbury, confessed to Thomas G. Ryan, Danville, a State fire marshal, that he had tried to set fire to a business block in Sunbury. blossoms throughout the State are Haupt was janitor at the First Presbyterian Church when it was badly damaged by fire several years ago. He was committed to jail. John Francies, of Allegheny, former

member of the House of Representatives, at present superintendent of the Western Penitentiary, and in charge of the construction of the new penitentiary near Bellefonte, which, when completed, will be used by both the present Western and Eastern Penitentiaries, is somewhat of a farmer.

Plans for increasing poultry will be made at Harrisburg by a committee representing poultrymen.

An effort to increase the output of honey in Pennsylvania 1,000,000 pounds and to add 100,000 chickens to flocks in Pennsylvania are among the plans at the State Department of Agriculture.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company will erect a five-span bridge over

the Juniata River at Lewistown. C. R. Mason, State College expert, the Pennsylvania Department of Agri- has been brought to Altoona by Counculture. Wheat showed an improve-cil and the Chamber of Commerce

Failure to find ore in paying quanaverage. In 1916 the condition of tity has caused the Pinkerton Conwheat in the ground on April 1 was struction Company to dismantle its plant in the South Mountains, near

Pining because he was retired, Tim, a 20-year-old bay horse of Altoona's truck team, refused to eat and died on a farm where he had been placed. The Belmont Motor Company, incorporated under laws of Delaware, of the State reported wheat in good has taken over the old Lewistown condition and a great deal of the fear | tannery buildings and will use them

Three men of South Bethlehem were with the splendid growth that was killed in an automobile accident on the William Penn Highway, near weeks of snow protection for the Bethlehem. They were Hugh Kelly, a Justice of the Peace; Hugh J. Mc-Fadden, a bottler, and Robert K. Berkemeyer, a former Councilman.

Stanley G. Flagg & Co., have engaged a Mr. Schenck, of Haveford, to take charge of the troop of Boy Scouts

A searchlight has been erected at of the State forests for grazing during the John Wood Manufacturing Comthe period of food shortage. Owing to pany's plant, Conshohocken, where

William Montague has offered to at considerable cost, permission for the people of Norristown the use of Barbadoes Island, containing 15 acres,

> Norristown Council's police committee has agreed to advance the salaries of the score of patrolmen 121/2 per

Pledges to aid the nation in meeting the food crisis were made by

At a meeting of Ursinus College Professor Surface urges every faculty it was decided that students raiser of bees in the State to in- should discontinue athletics for the crease his number of hives, buy sup-remainder of the school term and deplies now, see to the fertility of vote the time spent in baseball prac-

way to attempt to aid in solving Entirely new method of handling the food crisis by increased product the State's finances is provided in five | United States. bills introduced at Harrisburg.

FOR FULL CONTROL OF FOOD SUPPLY

Bill in Congress Provides For Regulation By President.

PROMPT ACTION EXPECTED

Power Sought To Regulate Exchanges and Transportation and Prohibit Use Of Grain In Making

Liquor.

Washington.-Absolute authority to regulate in its discretion the production, distribution and prices of food and other necessities during the war was asked of Congress by the adminis-

In a sweeping bill introduced with administration approval by Chairman Lever, of the House Agriculture Committee, it is proposed to empower the President, under the war clause of the Constitution, to take these measures whenever, in his opinion, the national Pennsylvania must be lighted and venemergency shall require:

To fix maximum and minimum prices for food, clothing, fuel and other necessities and the articles required for their production;

To prescribe regulations to govern the production of these commodities and, if necessary, to requisition the producing factories, mines or other

establishments; To compel holders of necessities to release them in amounts insuring

equitable distribution; To regulate exchanges in such a way as to eliminate market manipula-

To compel railroads to give preference to the movement of necessities; To levy such import duties as he

finds necessary to prevent excessive "dumping" of foreign products; and To impose limitations or prohibitions upon the use of grain in the manufacture of liquor.

May Order War Bread.

culture would be empowered to establish standard food grades; to license and control the manufacture, storage and distribution of foods; to prescribe the percentage of flour to be milled from wheat, and to regulate the mixing of wheat flour with other flour in the making of bread and other food.

In a statement Mr. Lever declared disturb legitimate business activities because "it is hoped that the mere conferring of the more extreme new becoming necessary to exercise them." It is known officials of the hold the same view, believing that basis of the revolutionary scheme. with such effective weapons in their possession they will encounter no difficulty in lining up on the side of the public interest without legal action all recalcitrant private agencies.

survey of the country's food re- swear it." sources and conferring certain powers measure was ordered favorably reportafter the committee had reduced the appropriation carried from \$25,000,000 Secretary of Agriculture to order the ment. immediate sale of any food in such posed of will become unfit for use. coming third measure which is to confer broad powers on the Council of National Defense.

"The purposes of the bill are to dent. stimulate production, to reduce waste, to clear the channels of distribution, to prevent hoarding, to assure fair prices, to eliminate injurious speculation, to prohibit evil practices on exchanges and to protect the public against extortion. The suggested legislation recognizes that the war will disturb the normal courses of trade. Accordingly it provides machinery, first for stimulating production and regulating distribution so as to assure a fair profit to those entitled to it; secondly, for preventing the exploitation of necessaries of life by those who aim to take advantage of the war emergency to amass unearned fortunes."

CHILE BREAKS WITH GERMANY.

Minister From Republic Demands His Passports.

London.-The Chilean Minister to Germany has demanded his passports, according to a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam. The dispatch says: "A message received from Berlin says the Chilean Minister to Germany has demanded his passports and announced a rupture of relations be tween Chile and Germany.

50 MEXICAN BANDITS KILLED.

Many Captured and Hanged-Had At tacked Train.

San Luis Potosi, Mex.-Fifty bandits were killed and a large number captured and hanged to telegraph poles at Guaje, April 26, after they had attacked a passenger train, according to reliable advices received here. The handits were said to have been led by Mariano Robels and Valente Garcia.

AMERICANS NOT DEEMED FOES.

German Authorities Have Berlin Order

London - The German authorities have ordered the immediate cancellation of the Berlin order placing American residents there in a status of enemy subjects, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague. The order, adds the message, is regarded as a blunder, the German Fornot consider herself at war with the nuts, hops, edible fungi, caviar and

RECRUITS



CARRANZA NOW WAR CENSORSHIP HEAD OF MEXICO IS NOW IN EFFECT

Inaugurated First Constitutional Government Takes Control of President Since 1913.

BIG CROWDS AT EXERCISES MESSAGES MUST BE O. K.'D

Marks Return Of Southern Republic To Constitutional Government.

Mexico City.-Venustiano Carranza the first 'constitutional president of ing under an executive order issued Mexico since the assassination of by President Wilson, the War Departdeputies and swore to uphold the new censor will be transmitted. constitution.

President Carranza left the presidensorship, first of the real war dential gate at the palace in an open moves, into effect was as follows: carriage drawn by a magnificent team of bays. Seated beside him was of war between the United States and there was nothing in the measure to General Obregon, minister of war in the Imperial German government the provisional cabinet and the man makes it essential to the public safety who more than any other, is credited that no communication of a character with enabling the president to which would aid the enemy or its powers will be sufficient without it weather the storms of the last four allies shall be had. years. The carriage was escorted by the survivors of the signers of the vested in me under the Constitution executive branches of the government plan of Guadeloupe, which formed the and by the joint resolution passed by

dent Carranza was received by a committee of congressmen who led him persons owning, controlling or operto the rostrum where the president of ating telegraph and telephone lines or the chamber administered the oath, submarine cables are hereby prohib-The bill is supplemental to the ad- The ceremony was extremely simple, ited from transmitting messages to ministration food measure introduced consisting of the reading of the oath points without the United States and in the House last week, providing for and General Carranza's reply, "I from delivering messages received

to prevent food speculation. This corps attended the ceremony and sub- be established by the Secretary of sequently returned with the president War for telegraph and telephone lines ed from the Agricultural Committee to the palace, where United States and by the Secretary of the Navy for Ambassador Fletcher, as ranking offi- submarine cables. cer, offered the president the congrato approximately \$20,000,000 and had tulations of foreign nations on Mexeliminated a section authorizing the ico's return to constitutional govern-enforcing rules and regulations under

Later in the evening a parade of condition that unless promptly dis- more than 20,000 persons, composed of soldiers, students, government em- the subject, the committee on public The section will be incorporated in a ployes, labor unions and commercial organizations, formed at the Juarez monument, and marched to the palace, where it was reviewed by the presi-

15,000 MEN ENROLLED.

Only Minor Step In Nation-Wide Mobilization Of Labor.

Washington. - In announcing that agencies throughout the country had of over 1,600 tons each were sunk. chant fleet Secretary Wilson said this to the bottom by submarines or mines. achievement was "only a minor step The announcement says: in the nation-wide mobilization of labor" proposed by the Administration 100 tons 2,716; sailings, 2,690. as a war measure. He made a plea for popular support and co-operation marines or mines, over 1,600 tons, inand for a larger Congressional appropriation for mobilization work. "Organization of the man power

our vital industries at home," said the Secretary, "is just as necessary in this war as the proper distribution and use of our man power at the front.

BELGIUM TO GET A LOAN.

\$150,000,000 To Be Allowed To Meet Pressing Requirements.

Washington.-Belgium will shortly receive a loan from the United States the amount of which will be deterde Cartier, Belgian minister. The France and to meet military require Population," said in part: ments, is unofficially estimated at France and Italy.

SWEDEN STOPS FOOD EXPORTS.

Nearly All Articles Previously Allowed To Go Out Affected.

viously had been permitted. The most other fish roe, and kitchen herbs.

Simple But Impressive Ceremony Restricts Companies From Sending Or Delivering Any Telegram Or Cablegram Until Censor Has Approved It.

Telegraph and Cable.

Washington.—Actual war censor on May 1st took the oath of office as ship went into effect Tuesday. Act Francisco Madero, on February 23, ment took over control of all tele-In addition, the Secretary of Agri- 1913. Backed by a majority of nearly graph and telephone lines. At the 800,000 votes, given him by the Mexi- same time the Navy Department ascan people at the March elections, sumed charge of the cables. As a re-President Carranza drove from the suit of this action hereafter only mesnational palace to the chamber of sages which actually have passed the

The President's order placing this "Whereas, the existence of a state

"Therefore, by virtue of the power Congress on April 6, 1917, declaring At the chamber of deputies Presi- the existence of a state of war, it is ordered that all companies or other from such points except those per-The members of the diplomatic mitted under rules and regulations to

"To these departments respectively is delegated the duty of preparing and this order, which is to take effect immediately."

In a statement issued dealing with information says that an expert personnel went on duty immediately to carry out the orders of the President.

51 MORE SHIPS SUNK.

British Losses Last Week Included 38

London.-The British official announcement of the number of vessels sunk in the week ending on Sunday Department of Labor employment last shows that 38 merchant vessels registered 15,000 skilled shipbuilders those of less than 1,600 tons numbered for work on the great wooden mer- 13, and eight fishing vessels were sent "Arrivals of all nationalities over

> cluding three not previously recorded, 38; under 1,600 tons, including one not previously recorded, 13. "British vessels unsuccessfully attacked, including two not previously

"British merchantmen sunk by sub-

"British fishing vessels sunk, including two not previously recorded, 8."

recorded, 24.

SAYS 1,300,000 GERMANS DIED.

Former Member Of Reichstag Tells Of Nation's Losses.

Amsterdam.-One million three hundred thousand Germans have perished mined upon at another conference be- in the war, according to a statement tween Secretary McAdoo and Baron made by Joseph Friedrich Naumann, formerly a Conservative member of loan, which is understood to be needed the Reichstag. Herr Naumann, lecto maintain Belgian refugees in turing on the "Influence of the War on

"Until now the war has caused about \$150,000,000. Tentative esti- loss of 1,300,000 dead. This, together mates of Belgium's needs were laid be- with the decrease in birth, gives a refore Secretary McAdoo by Baron de duction of 3,800,000. The surplus of Cartier. The proposed loan is in ad-females has increased from 800,000 to dition to loans of from \$200,000,000 to far more than 2,000,000. The nation \$300,000,000, which will be made to has bled as never since the Thirty Years' War."

CHECK FLOUR SPECULATORS.

Minneapolis Millers Demand \$5 Margin On Futures.

Minneapolls, Minn.-Milling com-Stockholm.-A prohibition against panies have announced that hereafter exports which went into effect Thurs- a margin of \$5 will be asked on every day covers nearly all the articles of barrel of flour purchased for future de foodstuffs the export of which pre-livery. The action was taken with a view to curbing speculation in flour important prohibition is that covering and also affording greater protection pork. Among other articles affected to millers. Heavy buying for specula eign Office arguing that Germany does by the new order are fruits, berries, tion for future delivery was held responsible for the unsettled flour mar-

DEFIANT REPLY TO U.S. READY TO SEND WILSON'S SPEECH

President of Reichstag Says Kaiserdom is Sacred.

GERMANY WILL FIGHT FOR IT MANY SHIPS REQUIRED

"President Wilson Will Bite Granite," is Reply To Effort To Turn Germans Against Hohenzollerns. Peace Proposals Deferred.

Copenhagen. - The speech which

was to have been made in the Reichstag by Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg. the German Imperial Chancellor, on peace and international relations has seen postponed to a more fitting occasion, according to word received here. It is now expected that debate upon the political situation, together with the Chancellor's speech, will probably be postponed until the third reading of the finance measures. Amsterdam.-The German Reich-

stag resumed its session. The President of the Chamber, Dr. Johannes Kaempf, in his opening address, speaking of the entry of the United States into the war, said a new and mighty opponent had joined the ranks of Germany's enemies. President Wilson, in a message to Congress on April 2, he declared, said he was wagng war against the Germans in the interest of mankind and on the ground of justice.

President Wilson, Dr. Kaempf continued, had lost his sight in making this assertion, since he had not stirred a finger to hinder England when England announced her war of starvation against Germany, a war in violation of all human and international rights: President Wilson had lost his sight when he rejected the German proposal to secure the lives of Americans on American vessels in certain routes, which carried no contraband, and by this rejection exposed his own compatriots to danger and death.

"President Wilson," said Kaempf, "represents the German people as without will of their own and as having been driven into the war by a group of ambitious people, but he tells nothing of the long years of encirclement and machinations against them; nothing of the enemies' recently strongly expressed will to destroy Germany.

"The German people rose in August 1914, as one man, and still fight today to defend their freedom, independence and life. President Wilson says he has no quarrel with the German people, for whom he only entertains sympathy and friendship.

"President Wilson desired by his message to sow discord in Germany. As President of the German Reichstag, which is elected on the freest franchise in the world. I declare that this effort will come to naught; that it will have no influence on the common sense of our people, and that President Wilson will bite granite."

This remark evoked thunderous ap-

"With our truest heart's blood we established the German Kaiserdom, and with our truest heart's blood we shall fight for the Kaiser and the Empire (renewed applause). What our forefathers fought for and longed for, what we have achieved on the battlefield, will not perish even at President Wilson's word of command.

"We decline all interference by a foreign government in our internal af-

fairs. "If all signs are not misleading the decisive points of the world's war is ing its full authorized strength of liapproaching. We see our death-defying troops, withstanding the enemy's recruiting campaigns without mode assaults. Our U-boats will show Eng- fication, as bills pending in Congress land how Germans can avenge her nefarious starvation war. We proved recently our financial strength by a sixth war loan. We adhere to our firm belief in Germany's star and in a peace which will secure for all time the Fatherland's happy development."

CHEER FRENCH ENVOYS.

Enthusiastically Demand Speech From Marshal Joffre.

Washington. - Rene Vivlani and ply of cod, salmon, herring and other Marshal Joffre, heads of the French edible fish was practically unlimited Mission, were received on the floor of and that the Government might wa the Senate. M. Viviani, as former premier of France, is by custom en titled to entry to the floor, but the rule makes no provision for such a dignitary as Marshal Joffre.

By unanimous consent, however, the Senate rules were suspended to permit the Marshal's appearance with M. Viviani, and the Senate took a recess Tampico have gone on strike # in the midst of consideration of the Army Bill to receive the visitors.

TO BREAK WHEAT PRICES.

Plans Under Way For Joint Action By Canada and the U. S.

Ottawa.-Announcement was made in Parliament by Sir Thomas White, the Minister of Finance, that plans are under way for joint action by Canada price of wheat. Sir Thomas said the ple to economize to the extent of and the United States to reduce the price of flour wheat or any other per cent. in the consumption of for the Canadian Government alone. To The proclamation will be read publicly from the steps of the Royal Sprices must be the simultaneous action. necessity could not be regulated by prices must be the simultaneous action | change in London and all town | of the United States and Canada.

MILITARY DIVISIONS CHANGED.

West Virginia Moved From Eastern

To Central Department, Washington.-Geographical limits of the military departments, as now revised, move West Virginia from the Eastern to the Central Department, Arkansas and Louislana from the Southern to the new Southeastern, and Wyoming from the Central to the Western Department. Needs of the transportation and communication systems made the transfer necessary.

Washington Agrees to Dispatch

Troops When Allies Give Word

A UNIT TO FRANCE

Lack Of Shipping May Cause Delay General Staff's Opposition

To Plan Swept

Aside. Washington. - The United States stands ready to send an army to Es rope whenever the Allies deem it win to divert the necessary shipping from transporting food to transporting

The Government has offered the Allies troops, but has suggested the the alarming shortage of world ship ping may make it impracticable to send them at once.

In spite of objections of the General Staff to putting any American forces on the firing line before the great war army has been raised and trained the Administration has determined that the small contingent earnests desired by France for moral effect shall be sent as soon as possible. The general belief here is that the my soon will be found.

Whether the force first to carry the Stars and Stripes into battle in France shall be made up of regulars or No tional Guardsmen, or both, has as been worked out.

State Department officials have up tinuously urged the sending of a army, solely for its psychological g fect, not only in encouraging the Allied troops but in discouraging the Germans. Convinced that the diple matic advantages far outwelched the technical and training difficulties at vanced by the General Staff, they have felt that such a step would consecrate the United States as a full member of the alliance entitled to a most home able seat at the peace conference.

Some of those who have vigorous opposed an early expeditionary form as interfering with the training of a larger army have modified their view as a result of the arguments advaged by the military experts with the French commission here that training can be much better carried out a France within sound of the gun Nevertheless, the opposition of the staff has not wavered.

Little doubt exists that the French will gladly put up with any sacrife necessary to have American troops a France, as the great plea of their mission has been for troops with the American flag. They have points out that this is needed to convince its Germans beyond doubt that all Ame ica's resources have been thrown in

The British also are known to be anxious to have American troops it France as a final earnest of America participation, but there is reason by believe that they have taken a some what more detached view than the French. Overcome by the wholehan edness of American co-operation in the war, they believe that the one sential is to marshal the common "

sources to the greatest advantage. NAVY NEARLY FULL.

Enlisted Strength Is Now Within TI

Of War Quota. Washington.-The enlisted strengt of the Navy now has reached \$5.35 within less than 700 of the full w quota now authorized. The main corps has already completed recrub 400, but both services will continue are expected to give the Navy an so thorized total strength of 150,000, si

raise the marine corps to 30,000. PLENTY OF FISH FOR WAR

Alaska Can Supply Many Millions Of Pounds.

Washington.-In the fisheries Alaska the United States may find millions of pounds of food for the W emergency. Fish Commissioner Smith told a Senate committee that the so go into the fishing business.

MEXICAN OIL WORKERS STRIKE Those At Tampico Want Higher

Wages. Galveston, Texas.—Mexican worker employed in oil loading plants if higher wages, according to informs tion from the commander of a tast steamer which has arrived at # American port. It is understood wer men throughout the oil fields # threatening to strike.

WILL ASK BRITONS TO EAT LESS King George To Urge Reduction 0

25 Per Cent. London.-King George will shortly issue a proclamation urging the per owing to the gravity of the situation throughout the country.

AIMED AT BOMB PLOTTERS.

Bill To Limit Possession of Expla sives Favorably Reported. Washington. - Unauthorized man facture, distribution or possession explosives in time of war would prohibited under a bill favorably ported by the House Mines Completee. It is designed primarily to for ther strengthen the hand of the Got ernment in dealing with bomb plottes

An egg holder of Italian design # on the edge of the breakfast plate