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Minister Van Dyke Says Standing of

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.-Henry Van | in the spirit of our president's declara

added:

The suggestion, published originally in to pursue the inquiry, he said:

Dyke, American minister to the Nether-

lands, reached here today from The

Hague aboard the steamship Rotterdam.

Amsterdam, that the time was ripe for

to act in concert to bring about peace

in Europe, was brought to his attention.

He was asked if the report were true

Mr. Van Dyke seemed to be thoroughly

conversant, however, with the sugges-

tion and the report. Apparently he an-

ticipated being questioned by reporters

on the subject, for when they boarded

the ship at quarantine and sought him

out he had ready for them a statement

which he had prepared in advance. This

Had Prepared Statement.

An ambassador's first duty is to his

chief, and I am compelled to respect my

instruction not to talk. For the last four

months I have been having a strenuous

time. My eyes have given way under

WEEKS' STATEMENT

erations of the Allies in the

Northern Part of Europe.

Scheme Was Effectively Frus-

trated by the Help of the

Combined Armies.

PARIS, Nov. 24.-The Bulletin der

publish a summary of the military opera-

Paris this afternoon and it is as follows.

"With the fresh success of the ailies in

the battle of Flanders, the moment has

come to recite the accomplishments of

Issues Appeals and Exhortation.

Von Fabeck, General Von Demling and

the duke of Wurttemburg, to stimulate

the morale of their troops, issued several

appealas and exhortations. We found

their orders on officers who fell in battle

or who were taken prisoners. All these

documents agreed that it was a question

cording to one of these orders, that the

with all speed and carried through at all

there to animate his soldiers by his pres

that date there could be proclaimed the

Underestimates the Allies.

every single thing except the victorious

resistance of the allied army. To make

annexation of Belgium.

"The crown prince of Bavaria, General

statement read as follows:

He refused to comment on it.

# 1915 WHEAT AREA GREATEST OF ALL AS WAR'S RESULT

Largest Field Ever Sown to Cereal Will Be Planted Next Year Because of Bloody Strife.

BIG DEMAND FOR BREADSTUFFS

Europe to Utilize All Its Labor Resources to Seed Its Soil to Crop.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO TOIL

Prisoners, Soldiers Disabled or Relived from Serve, Must Work.

MUCH ACTIVITY IN FATHERLAND

Reports from Germany and Other Countries of Central Europe Show Operation: Are Well Along.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.-The greatest wheat area in the world's history will be planted for the 1915 harvest as a result of the European war, in the opinion of Charles M. Daugherty, statistical expart of the Department of Agriculture. In a report made public today Mr. Daugherty says:

"As a result of the war in Europe a world-wide tendency exists to increase the acreage of wheat. Doubtless the most extensive area in the history of the world will be seeded during the present autumn and coming spring.

"A prospective heavy demand for this important food grain by the importing countries of western Europe is likely, if seeding conditions favor, to give extraordinary stimulus to sowings of both winter and spring varieties in the two great exporting countries of North America and to those sowings now being finised under auspicious circumstances in British India.

Condition in South. "In the southern hemisphere, seeding was completed before the war began and the effect of present economic conditions upon extension of areas there will be manifest only in the spring and summer of 1915.

"In Europe, where ordinarily more than half the world's wheat is produced, the indications are that all available labor resources, in both neutral and contending nations, will be utilized to the utmost for getting in full or increased areas. In Italy, whose wheat acreage is ordinarily second in extent to that of no state in Europe, excepting Russia, 1,000,-000 acres, it is said, will be added to the

Women and Children Busy. "In the contending countries extraordinary efforts are being executed in autumn seeding. The services of women and children, men exempt from military service, refugees, prisoners of war and soldiers temporarily relieved from the ranks are being utilized in the fields. Because of strained labor conditions and

"In western Europe, particularly in England and France, the autumn sowings of wheat are somewhat in arrears, the government. but as a large part of these countries is favored with a mild climate, making sowing operations possible at times during the entire winter, little anxiety is lows: expressed over the present delay. Reoperations have been carried on with activity.

#### CAPTAIN HILL'S ANSWER IS NOT SATISFACTORY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.-Captain Walter N. Hill of the marine corps may have to answer for any remarks upon the American evacuation of Vera Cruz and the Mexican situation, even though he made them in private and did not intend

In a telegram to Secretary Daniels today Captain Hill said he ventured the private opinion to a personal friend of his father, that there might be disorders when the troops left Vera Cruz. Secretary Daniels is disposed to regard private riticism of the administration policies by service officers as improper.

## The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Wednesday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Fair; no important change in tempera-Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



Local Record.

Lowest yesterday..... Mean temperature..... Precipitation Best of Weather. Temp. 1 of Weather. Temp. 1 of Weather. Tp. m. Cheyenne, clear. 44
Davenport, partly cloudy. 50
Denver, clear. 45
Des Moines, clear. 45
Omaha, clear. 48
Comaha, clear. 44
Sheridan, clear. 44
Sheridan, clear. 44
Sloux City. clear. 52
Valentine, clear. 52
Valentine, clear. 44

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

GERMAN MILITARY ENGINEERS rebuilding a bridge over the Aisne river destroyed by French and Belgians.



# ADMISSION BY SMITH RAILROADS WANT IS TOLD BY SAMMONS

Accused Man Asserts Principal Witness Confessed Story Suggested by Postal Inspector.

BOTH SIDES FINISH TESTIMONY HITS ALL CONSUMERS HARD

Trial of Former Sheriff of Buffalo County Approaches End, Attorneys' Arguments Beginning Today-Witnesses Impeached.

some local contractions of area seem in- an accomplice and had alleged that Samment of witnesses for the defense by terstate Commerce commission

Denying that he had gone to Smith's

"I went out there to confront Del ports from Germany and other countries Smith and talk over with him his story of central Europe indicate that seeding that I had taken the money. I said to

"'Can you sit there and look me in the face and continue that lie?"

"Smith started to cry and exclaimed; " 'Don't! Don't! I can't stand your talking that way. They made me tell that story; I'm afraid to change it now, for

New Vision of Smith's Share. fear they'll hang me.' '

Continuing, Samomns testified that he told Smith he had called on him to appeal to all that was good in him to exonerate Sammons by telling the truth. "I'm afraid to change it now, Smith's reply, Samomns testified, "It woul druin me. It's awful the way that Brower (a postoffice inspector) man went after me. Those inspectors haunted me and walked past my home and in the postoffice and accused me. Finally Brower said:

'You didn't steal that money. You gave Sammons the key, and he stole it.' "And finally they convinced me that that story was true. I was told that was the only way out of it."

Smith continued crying after that, Samnons testified. The latter then explained that he thought that to face Smith would cause him to change his story and tell

Commissioner Thorne Discusses Effeet of Freight Rate Raised Asked by Western Lines.

Heaviest Increases Asked on Meats, Grain and Farm Implements-Contention of Roads Regarddng Lonns is Refuted.

CHNCAGO, III. Nov. 24.—(Special Telestram.)—'If the railways get the depart of the fact that several metal foundries were closed because of the stead be only added another check to the selsors of copper and lead. British imports in October, according to reports from Rome decreased £20,000,000, or 40 per cent, and the exports £18,000,000, or 40 per cent, as compared with last year.

"Switzerlan1 has lodged protests at Loys river to the sea. It mussed between the beginning of October and the beginning of of the occupation of certain territory charges that Delbert Smith, the postof- Thorne, president of the National Assoduring seed time by contending troops. fice clerk who had confessed to being ciation of Railway Commissions and chairman of a committee selected from evitable. The reduction, however, is mons actually committed the robberys the railway commissions of fifteen west-likely to be compensated by increased had testified falsely. Aside from Samera states to protest against an inmons' testimony, the feature of yester. crease in western freight rates which day's session was an attempt at impeach. the railways have requested of the In-

'We filed our protest last Frida, said Mr. Thorne, "and we confidently house to search it for the missing \$5,000 hope that the Intersate Commerce comlast February, Sammons testified as fol- mission will, in the face of the evidence we have presented to them, grant a suspension and make a thorough investigation before any definite action is

> "In mixed grains alone of various sort in the zone affected, which is two-thirds (Continued on Page Three, Col. Three.)

### Scores Perish When Hanalei is Wrecked Near San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 24 .- Fortythree survivors had been rescued tonight from the wrecked wooden steamer Hanalei, which went ashore yesterday in a dense fog on Duxbury reef, nine miles north of the Golden Gate.

Eighteen dead had been either washed ashore at Bolinas, just east of the dreaded reef or brought to port by the United States revenue cutter McCulloch and the navy tug Iroquois. How many are missing never will be accurately known, for the best available passenger list in the company's possession gives whereas the known dead and saved number sixty-one, seven more than are shown the truth, "which," he declared, "would do not include two life savers washed ashore alive and three missing. Their (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.) boat was swamped;

# Christmas Ship Jason Making Speedy Voyage with Load of Gifts

(Coryright, 1914, by Press Publishing Co.) vide a special train for transporting the to New York worm and the commander capital.

A wireless message from the commander capital.

Until Earl Beauchamp and his asso- and it was impossible to see more than the collier Jason to Captain Symington, United States naval attache in Lonciates of the reception committee confer two or three blocks even on well-lighted a British cruiser the latter part of August, has been decorated with the iron cross.

This evening conveyed to the American Symingwith officials aboard the Jason, it will streets.

Re ports indicate that similar conditions

of the war office and the local govern- prehensive list of little ones in every ment board it was decided to bring all corner of the British isles to whom the gifts designed for the children of the presents must go, but with the assistance

trol of railroads it will be easy to pro- due to arrive.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—(Special Cabiegram hundreds of thousands of packages from gray smoke cloud from hundreds of forto New York World and Omaha Bee.)- Devonport pier straight through to the est fires, which lifted in Little Rock last

35 of the early arrival of the Christmas plan of distribution, as the exact size of prevailed all over the state. Jason should reach Devonport Wednesday known here. His majesty's government, is a general rain, and the weather offers dred thousand men in the United States

> United Kingdom direct to London for dis- of the war office the local government board is certain all difficulties can be Owing to the present governmental con- overcome long before Santa's sleigh is

#### BY CZAR'S ARMY Final Results is Delayed by Movement of New Russian Forces from Warsaw. BERLIN CONFIDENT. HOWEVER

Official Press Bureau Looks for

that he was the bearer of the suggestion Eventual Victory for Teutonic looking toward such action from the Allies. government of Holland to the United States. To this also he declined to reply.

Give Several in Carpathians Up to Superior Numbers.

AUSTRIANS ABANDON PASSES

PRZEMYSL SORTIE SUCCEEDS Muscovites Driven Back from Be sleged City by Sally and Are Not in Range of Cannon of the Forts.

BERLIN, Nov. 24.-(By Wireless to Sayville.)-The following information was given out today by the official press

"While an eventual victory for the Teutonic allies in the castern theater of my country and for the cause of peace famine is proof of this." war is expected as confidently as ever, official reports from the German and Austrian military headquarfers make it appear that a decision will not be reached as soon as had been expected. The final result has been delayed by the advance of new Russian forces from Warsaw.

"The Austrians announce that they have abandoned to superior forces several passes in the Carpathians. The Russian troops, which are investing Give Out Official Report of the Opsortle and are not within range of the cannon of the forts.

"The Russians who crossed the lower Dunajec are not able to proceed further. GERMAN EFFORT PROFITLESS "The tremendous extent of, the battle low raging in the east is apparent from Gauls Declare that Kalser's Bet the fact that contests are now in progress along a front extending over 400 miles between the position on the exereme north and south.

"No important reports have been re ceived recently from Servia from the scene of the Turkish operations or from Aimees in its issue of November 25 will the western theater of the war. "There was a slight snowfall in Berlin tions of the last six weeks. This article

early this morning and the temperature was given out officially for publication in fell below zero, centigrade.

France After Italy's Trade. "Dispatches appearing in Italian newspapers are to the effect that molesta- the last six weeks. These may be summed tion of Italian shipping by the French up as follows: is part of a systematic plan of the The formidable effort undertaken by French to divert the maritime trade of the Germans during this time, this is Genoa to Marseilles. Word comes from turn our left wind, and second .o ; sene-Rome that in northern Italy there is trate it, has resulted in failure. By this much feeling against England in conse- effort the enemy was endeavoring to

London and Bordeaux against the violathe beginning of October and the begin tion of Swiss neutrality by British ning of November, four corps of cavalry aviators, and demands satisfaction. and two armies, comprising in all fifteen "The Copenhagen Politiken states that army corps. English reports that Germany wishes peace are absurd, and that their only

aim is to keep to England in good humor. Germany has no reason for wishing peace, since its armies are on foreign territory and its navy is uninjured." French Defeated in Morocco.

The French losses in the recent fighting near Krenifra, Morocco, during the attack on an encampment of mountain tribes are of a decisive action against the French given today in reports from Madrid, pub- neft. It was necessary to pentrate to lished by the German official press Dunkirk or to Ypres, for the reason, ac bureau, as 23 officers and 600 men killed. The fighting resulted, according to these decisive blow was yet to be delivered. reports, in a defeat for the French, who, And this blow must be decisive, delivered it is said, lost two batteries. The official press bureau made denial cost. It is desired to obtain a decision

today of the statement of the secretary in the western arena of operations before of the British admiralty yesterday that a again turning toward the adversary in German submarine had been sunk off the the east. These various orders recited coast of Scotland by a British patroling furthermore that Emperor William was vessel.

"British reports concerning the destruc- ence. He had announced that he wanted tion of German submarines." says the to be in Ypres on the first of November bureau, "are unfounded. No submarines and everything was prepared so that on

### Aged Couple Killed When Train Hits Car

Telegram.)—When a speeding train struck "What was then the situation at the road company. their automobile at a dangerous railroad begining on October. The Belgian army Claims of Im crossing this morning, near Payne Junc- had come out of Antwerp intact, but too Billard and Thomas De Witt Cuyler will tion, Is., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hilton exhausted to take part in any maneuvre. be argued on December 4, Judge Sessions twenty-eight passengers and twenty-six were both instantly killed. Mr. Hilton The English army was leaving its front decided. Messrs. Billard and Cuyler en-Farragut, Ia. They had started to Have- the north. Transportation and the move- leging that they were immune because George Stabler.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton were about 60 years old and are survived by three married beyond a point south of Arras. The army on demurrers filed by remaining defendchildren, Will Hilton and Mrs. John (Continued on Page Two, Column One.) ants. Hemphill of Farragut and the daughter

### Cloud of Smoke is Covering Arkansas

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 24.-The

The only hope of extinguishing the fires

WANTED—Man with experience as a salesman. Man familiar with real estate preferred—must not be under 20 years of age and must be a resident of Omaha. High grade applicant can expect to take position immediately. Give reference first letter. For further information about this opportunity, see the Want Ad Section of today's Bee.

If the official reports of the Russians are correct, the tide of the great battle in Poland has turned in their favor. How important the change is and to what extent it will influence future operations in the struggle between Russia and Germany was not apparent.

War News

Several interviewers attempted to

until then I can say nothing.

said, was beyond praise.

The Day's

The Russian war office has made its first definite announcement concerning the crucial battle. It stated that between the Vistula and Warta rivers the Germans had retreated, Germany's latest official statement gave this partial confirmation by saying that the arrival of Russian reinforcements had postponed the decision. There, was, however, no hint in this statement of a re-

In the war with Turkey, also, Russia claims the advantage. The forces which pushed down through the Caucasus into Turkey, which Petrograd admitted a few days ago, had been compelled to retreat, are now said to have resumed the offensive and to be pushing on toward Erzerum, a Turkish city near the eastern end of the Black Sea. A Turkish column was there put to rout, the general staff of the army of the Caucasus announces. It also sates that the Turks were defeated in two engagements in northern Persia.

In the west the opposing armies still held to the positions which they have maintained, with few changes, for the last two months. Here and there along the 300mile line-notably at Ypres and Soissons, and in the Argonnethere was spirited fighting, but apparently with no results other than momentary advantages for one side or the other.

### Rockefeller Motion to Be Argued Monday

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.-Federal Judge Sessions today set next Monday morning as the time for argument on the motion stand between the Vistula and Warta "In short, everything was provided for, to dismiss the indictments against William Rockefeller and four of the twenty men indicted with him on charges of havthis resistance possible it was necessary ing violated the criminal law in connec for us to oppose to the enemy forces, if tion with their duties as directors of the SHENANDOAH, Ia., Nov. 24.—(Special not equal to his own, at least sufficient. New York, New Haven & Hartford Rail-

Claims of immunity made by John L was a wealthy farmer who lived near on the Aisne for a field of operations in tered pleas in bar to the indictment, allock, Neb., to visit their daughter, Mrs. ments of supplies occasioned the long they aided the government by their tesdelays. The army under General De timony previously. Castelnau did not extend its left wing

No date was set for hearing argument

# Little Human Interest Stories of the Big World War Now Raging

Gets Iron Cross.

AMSTERDAM, Holland (via London). Nov. 24.-Captain Aye of the Auxilliary

100,000 Americans Volunteer. tia. Hundreds of Americans, he asserted, are already with the first and second contingents.

Women and Children Killed. PARIS, Nov. M .- A dispatch to the lavas agency from Petrograd says: the effect that the Germans have opened

pen and populous quarters. A great many inoffensive persons, principally women and children, were killed."

Skidden for Grace of God Kings. WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—That the war would result in the overthrow of autocratic government in Europe and also produce a democratic government similar to that of the United States for England and its possessions was predicted by Rev. have offered to enlist in Canada for serv- Newell Hillis, pastor of the Plymouth ice in Europe, according to Major Gen- church, Brooklyn, N. Y., in an address eral Hughes, Canadian minister of mili-tonight before the World's Bible confer-

Germans Near Warsaw LONDON, Nov. 26 .- The Daily Tele graph's Petrograd correspondent intimates that the German crown prince's army during the last five days threatened 'Advices received here from Libau are to the effect that the Germans have opened correspondent says, however, that his a second bombardment on the city which forces arrived alarmingly close to War was especially directed against the most saw before they were finally checked.

### TIDE OF BATTLE America in Europe Better Than Ever IN POLAND TURNS IN CZAR'S FAVOR question Mr. Van Dyke, but, raising his

hand in a gesture which forbade them Dispatches from Petrograd Say the "Not another word; that is all, If I the United States and The Netherlands am given permission to talk I will do so Russians Have Won Brilliant and Decisive Victory. Then, after an interval of silence, he

> "When the madness that started this GERMANS FLEE TO FRONTIER war has spent itself, I hope that America

> will have a great part to play in the Unofficial Report Says Von Hinderrestoration of a lasting peace, wherein burg's Army Has Been Broken all the peoples of the world, great and small, shall rejoice together. Then the Up Into Several Parts. nightmare of blood will be over and the

> palace of peace will have its oppor ANOTHER BIG BATTLE LIKELY

> The position of Holland, Dr. Van Dyke German Reinforcements Coming Up said, has been unchanged; it was "still and Next Clash is Expected in neutral-firm and friendly." Holland's kindness to the destitute of Belgium, he Vicinity of Posen.

> "What about the standing of America in the eyes of Europe?" 'he was asked. MORE CANNONADING IN WEST "With all reasonable people, I believe

that it is better than ever," he said. Germans Probably Will Make An-"The warring nations trust us to be other Attack on Line Soon. the strain of day and night work and I fair and they know that we will be have obtained a leave of absence to come generous to help in the spirit of humanhome and see my oculist. As soon as ity. The work that the American com-

ALLIES SUFFERING WITH COLD my eyes are patched up. I hope to return mission for relief in Belgium is doing to to my post and continue working for save the women and children from Troops from Africa and India Not Accustomed to Rigorous Climate

of Belgium-Germans Are Clothed and Trained for It.

BULLETIN. LONDON, Nov. 24,-An official communication given out in Petrograd, according to an exchange telegram, announces a German retreat. The statement continues: "Between the Visula and Warta the Germans have retreated from the line running from Stykog to Sigierz, Szadek,

Zdunska, Wola and Wozniki." The line from which the Germans have retreated, according to the dispatch, runs from the northeast of Lodzdown past that town to the southwest.

PARIS, Nov. 24,-The correspondent at Petrogray of the Matin

"The Russians, after having checked the German offensive on the Plock-Leczyen front, gained on that side a brilliant, decisive victory. The enemy, who had heavy losses, is flying with all speed toward the German frontier. An entire German regiment surrendered to the victors.

"The Russians are energetically pursuing the enemy. "The Russians are also vigorously

attacking along the Czenstochowsline. This days seems to mark one of the most important, and, perhap decisive phases of the war. LONDON, Nov. 34 .- The Times' Petro-

grad correspondent, in a dispatch supplementing one declaring that private advices received in the Russian capital had confirmed the reports of a Russian victory over the Germans in Poland, "According to unofficial information

reaching here, the German army of 400,000 which made an irruption between the Vistula and Warta rivers has been broken up into several parts, one of which was compelled to divert its course southward and another northward. "Apparently in each case the Russian

forces succeeded in getting behind these disjointed corps and inflicted upon them great losses. The Germans are believed to have suffered very heavy reverses at Brezesiny

and Tussyn. It is impossible as yet to give even approximate figures." LONDON, Nov. 24.-General von Hindenburg's army, which last week was sweeping toward Warsaw, in its second advance through Russian Poland, today is reported from Petrograd to be in retreat, after having experienced serious reverses inflicted by the Russians, who, with reinforcements, made a brilliant

While the extent and the completeness (Continued on Page Two, Column Five.)

# Farm Land Owners Are Cashing In

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