STILL INTERESTED IN PRES. WILSON

CROWDS ABOUT LONDON CHEER HIS APPEAR-ANCE.

ATTENDS A STATE BANQUET

Official Diplomatic World Represented at Gathering in Buckingham Palace-Conference Had with Lloyd George and Balfour.

London-The environment of President Wilson's second day in England was quieter than that of the first day. The only ceremonial event was a state banquet in Buckingham palace, which was notable not only as a spectacle such as probably no other court in Europe can provide the setting for, not that the thrones of Russia, Germany and Austria have disappeared, but from the representative character of the men summoned to meet the

head of the American government. Beside the members of the royal family, the official world was represented by the foreign ambassadors to the court of St. James, the heads of the government, present and past chiefs of the army and navy, colonial officials and members of the royal household. There also were present dignitaries of the church of England, representatives of universities and men high in the worlds of literature, art and journalism.

President Wilson escorted Queen Mary into the banquet hall, while King George gave his arm to Mrs. Wilson.

Confers with Leaders.

The day was chiefly a working day with the president. Five hours were taken up by two conferences with David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, and Arthur J. Balfour, foreign secretary, on peace problems. This was the fulfillment of the main purpose of the president's pilgrimage to London.

For three hours in the morning President Wilson sat with Mr. Lloyd George and the foreign secretary before an open fireplace in the president's apartment in Buckingham palace. The second meeting was in the cabinet room of the premier's residence in Downing street. The two force the guards to return to sessions were broken by a luncheon at which Mr. Lloyd George gathered a dozen leading British statesmen of the conservative, liberal and labor parties.

Unveils Washington Portrait.

There was a picturesque incident after the luncheon when President Wilson unveiled a portrait of George Washington, presented to the premier's residence by Lord Albermarle.

The interest of Londoners in President Wilson continues high. Crowds outside the palace and in Downing street awaited his coming all day, notwithstanding the rain and cheered his every appearance. Each time they saw President Wilson they demanded a speech, but each time the president shook his head negatively.

The newspapers were filled with tributes to the president, which undoubtedly have been the cause of a heightening in his personal popularity in London.

It is expected that another great gathering will witness the progress of the president to the guildhall to receive the address of the lord mayor.

PREDICTS SPREAD OF "FLU."

New York Health Official Says Disease will increase.

New York .- The welcome given the returning fleets by millions of New Yorkers will cause a large increase in the number of influenza and pneumonia cases, Health Commissioner Copeland predicted. "There is no question but that thousands in a physical condition which would render them \$16,000,000,000 IS LEFT OVER easily susceptible to the so-called Spanish influenza and kindred diseases lined the shores of the river and the streets to see the big review," he said. "The bad weather undoubtedly will have its effect."

More Men Arrive.

New York.-The United States fransport General Gorgas, which left Bordeaux on December 13, arrived with 14 officers, seven enlisted men and 22 civilians. As the ship was loaded with returned ammunition she anchored in Gravesend bay and the passengers were brought ashore in

Jap Envoys Start East.

San Francisco.—The Japanese peace conference under Baron Nobuaki Makino that arrived here from the orient departed for New York. The party is being taken across the continent by the state department in a special train and will leave New York for France January 4.

Rumored Kaiser Has Been Slain.

Paris.-Rumors that the former emperor of Germany has been assassinated became current in Paris, notably in the chamber of deputies. There is not the slightest confirmation of the report up to the present.

Riveters on a Strike.

Chicago.- One hundred and fifty riveters at the Chicago Shipbuilding company's plant at South Chicago went on strike for a 40 per cent advande in wages,

TOO SMALL



MANY SLAIN IN BERLIN GASSED FOR 24 HOURS

GONNE TOLD BY HEROES.

U. S. on the Transport Mongolia

-Are Sent to Hospitals.

New York, Dec. 24.-Hundreds of

Illinois men in the Thirty-third divi-

sion were among the victims of a gas

shell bombardment in the Argonne

Many of the men who are recover-

ing from the noxious fumes arrived

on the Mongolia, which brought 4,700

officers and men. They said it was the

worst gas "strafing" they had ever

Nearly all the men gassed were bad-

ly burned about the body, and a num-

ber said they had been blind for five

weeks. Many wore smoked glasses

and eye shades. They will be sent to

hospitals near this city for special

treatment. Surgeons say they will re-

The One Hundred and Twenty-ninth

infantry, which has many members of

the Third Illinois in its ranks, appears

to have been the hardest hit, judging

from the stories of the wounded men

The casualties of the regiment in

the attack amounted to at least 50 per

cent. Few of the gassed men died,

however. The gas attack lasted so

long that the fumes finally filtered

through the masks and the men fell in

Fifty men of Company F of the One

Hundred and Thirty-first infantry

fought their way through 200 Prus-

sian guardsmen who had surrounded

them in the Argonne November 8 and

This story was told by Corp. Elmer

Sauerman, 714 Cornelia avenue, Chi-

engo, one of the fifty. Sauerman was

shot by a sniper. The bulle; pierced

his left lung, glanced off a rib and

RUSSIANS BEAT THE REDS

Washington Receives Official Report

of the Defeat of Bolshevik Army

-Foe Retreats Northward.

the bolshevik army on the Ekaterin-

burg front in a decisive battle by an

army of loyal Russians was reported

embassy from the Omsk government.

The message said that the disorgan-

ized bolsheviki were retreating north-

ward toward Perm and that this was

against the bolshevikl and part of a

campaign that was expected to unite

some of the loyal districts of Russia

Crew of Five Bandits Take \$6,000

From the Dressel Commercial

frust of Chicago.

robbed the Dressel Commercial Trust

and Savings bank, 2322 West Twelfth

street, and escaped with \$6,000 or

Harry Schoen, the paying teller;

Miss Scilla Johnson, a clerk, and two

customers were in the building when

the robbery took place. Four of the

gang entered and with drawn revolv-

ers forced the bank employees and

Authoritatively Stated That Country's

Casualties Are 9,150,000-

1,700,000 Dead.

Petrograd, Dec. 24.-Russia's war

700,000; wounded, 4,350,000; prisoners,

12,000,000 Bar Foe Goods.

000 persons have pledged themselves

not to buy goods made in Germany, ac-

cording to figures cited by Dr. William

T. Hornaday, at a meeting of the wom-

Add to British Navy.

London, Dec. 27.-Five hundred and

seventeen ships have been added to

the British navy since August, 1914.

The new vessels include seven battle-

ships, five battle cruisers, 26 light

cruisers, 17 monitors,

an's national defense committee.

New York, Dec. 27.-Nearly 12,000.

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Chicago, Dec. 25.-Five bank band-

Washington, Dec. 25 .- Defeat of

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SOLDIERS JOIN SAILORS IN RE. TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE IN AR-VOLT AT CAPITAL.

Entire Garrison to Join Mutineers and Soldiers Who Faced Fumes Return to Government Is Left Without Troops -Nearly 100 Killed.

London, Dec. 26.-The Alexander and Franzer regiments have openly joined the revolting sallors in Berlin, and it is predicted in advices sent from Berlin late Christmas night that nearly forest which started the night of Octothe entire Berlin garrison will support | ber 7 and lasted 24 hours. them, leaving the government without

Many soldiers belonging to the Berlin guard and a few of the republican guards joined the sallors, Vorwaerts re-

When these reports were sent a large number of armed civilians were continuing to join the sailors, not only at the royal stables, but in the Koenigstrasse. This street, with all its houses, was reported in the hands of the sailors, who were supported by the Spartacans. They demanded that Premier Ebert and Secretary Hasse resign and be replaced by George Ledebour and Dr. Karl Liebknecht.

Doctor Liebknecht, the advices add, went to the chancellor's palace and had a long conference with the ministers, the result of which was unknown.

Further fighting was anticipated, it was added, as the Spartacans and the sailors had decided to attempt to Potsdam.

Nearly 100 persons were killed in the street fighting which began in Berlin Tuesday morning, according to the latest reports from the German capital, transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Copenhagen. The Republican guards tried several times to take the royal stables and the headquarters of the revolting sailors, but were repulsed.

PIPER ENDS LIFE IN CELL

Coroner's Jury Finds That Man Charged With Killing Chicago Girl Ended Life by Hanging.

Muskegon, Mich., Dec 24.-The coroner's jury wrote finis to the tragedy that claimed the lives of Freda Weichman of Chicago and Milo H. Piper of Muskegon. The jury returned a verdict stating that Piper had hanged himself. The authorities are skeptical in an official dispatch to the Russian of a story of innocence which purports to have been told by Piper to a Muskegon friend and revealed by him after Piper was dead. According to this story the insurance broker admitted the first independent action of moment marrying Miss Weichman, and traveled about the country with her in an automobile. But he said he did not kill her. The murder, he asserted, and Siberia. Much war equipment was the work of the crew with which and booty were captured. Piper and the girl traveled. They killed her to keep her from telling of ROB ANOTHER CHICAGO BANK a series of robberles they had committed during their trip.

This Sum Remains Unexpended From War Appropriations, Congress is Told.

Washington, Dec. 23 .- More than \$16,000,000,000 of cash appropriations and contract authorizations voted by congress for war purposes will be unexpended, Representative Sherley of Kentucky, chairman of the house appropriations committee, announced.

customers into the basement. MONEY FOR U. S. FORCES RUSS WAR LOSS ENORMOUS

Senate Provides Month's Pay for Discharged Soldiers and Sailors in Amendment.

Washington, Dec. 25 .- The senate adopted an amendment to the revenue bill, providing for a bonus of one month's pay to all officers and enlisted men honorably discharged from the army, navy and marine corps after November 11.

British to Cross Holland.

Brussels, Dec. 25.-It is reported here that Holland has been informed by Great Britain of her intention to send supplies to the British army of occupation in Germany by way of the River Scheldt and Dutch Limberg.

Hurley Decorated by China.

Peking, Dec. 25.-The Chinese government has conferred the order of Chiaoho, second class, on E. N. Hurley, chairman of the United States shipping board. The order of Chincho is confined to civilians.

of Health in Effort to Crush the Epidemic.

Regulations Sent Out By State Board

Rigid regulations for the purpose of handling the influenza epidemic in Nebraska have been sent to local authoritles by the state board of health at Lincoln. Here are some of the regulations put out: In order for the family to be released from quarentine, the attending physician, and when there is no attending physician, the head of the family must make application to the secretary of the county, city or village board of health, and the quarantine is not to be released until the board gives such permission. For Contacts-Four days after last exposure and exposure exists, when quarantine of the premises as a whole is in effect. For Those With Disease -Four days after the fever entirely subsides. When the patient is released, others who have been in quarantine are also released, unless new cases have developed, but they cannot leave the premises, except with the permission of the health board, and anyone re-entering will have to stay there until the premises are finally released. Anyone found guilty of violating the quarantine rules shall be liable to a fine of from \$15 to \$100.

Despite the war, the loss of the corn crop in a large part of Nebraska and the liberal response of this state in subscribing to all war funds, the people of Nebraska had almost \$240,-000,000 deposited in state banks on November 1. according to a report 1ssued by Secretary Tooley of the State Banking Board. That amount of deposits is only \$10,000,000 below the high-water mark for state bank deposits in the history of Nebraska, which was reached early in the present year. It is \$16,000,000 more than a year ago. The number of commercial and savings banks reporting to the department under the call for November 1 statements, was 934, an increase of 14. The commercial deposits aggregate \$235,500,000 and the savings \$4,200,000.

Nebraska voters at the recent election approved the calling of a constitutional convention by 9,000 votes in excess of the required majority of all votes cast at the election. The constitutional amendment requiring full naturalization papers before a foreignborn resident can vote also was approved by a margin of 11,000 votes.

Professor Fogg, Instructor of journalism at the University of Nebraska. left Lincoln for France to serve in the college division of the government's educational program, to be conducted during demobilization of the Ameri-

can expeditionary forces. Nebraska arrangements for participating in the Armenian-Syrian relief drive. January 12 to 19, are well under way. During the week America will be asked to give \$30,000,000. Nebraska's share will be \$300,000.

For the third time the date for the dedication of the new Dodge county court house at Fremont has been postponed. December 31 was the last date. The prevailing epidemic was the cause of all postponements.

Exemption of local county, city, school and public improvement bonds from taxation to encourage investors is advocated in the annual report of State Auditor W. H. Smith.

The state board of control will ask the next legislature for \$125,000 extra for new buildings and improvements in the fifteen state institutions, it has been announced.

The Transmississippi congress, with representatives of agriculture, industry, labor and business, from eighteen western states, will be held in Omaha February 4, 5, and 6.

A total of 105,000 head of hogs were received at the South Omaha market last week or 56,700 more than the corresponding week a year ts in a black touring car held up and | ago.

For seventy-two hours last week an embargo was placed on hogs at South Omaha because of the glutted market.

In an effort to stamp out the "flu" at McCook, medical inspection is being taken in all public schools daily.

Public funerals have been prohibited at Auburn as one measure to stamp out the spreading of influenza.

Since the completion of the new hotel McCloud at York, people of the city are boasting of having the finest hostelry in Nebraska outside of Omaha and Lincoln. The structure is six stories in height and has all modern conveniences.

The 26th annual report of the state banking board, just made public, shows casualties are authoritatively given that there are 72 building and loan at 9,150,000, as follows: Killed, 1,associations in the state. Total assets of the associations have increased over two and a half million dollars the past year, the report shows,

> According to an estimate of the State Agricultural association 3,511,000 acres of wheat have been sown in Nebraska this fall, compared with 3,015,-814 acres last year.

> The entire family of Martin Steffensmeler of near Howells has been wiped out by the influenza, father, mother and baby having succumbed to

the disease. An airplane hangar is being constructed at Omaha to house planes that will bring mail to the metropolis over the Woodrow Wilson pestal airway from Chicago westward.

RIGID RULES FOR 'FLU' Complete official returns of the recent election in the state show that Railway Commissioner Taylor received the highest plurality of any state can-

didate. He defeated E. C. Simmons, his democratic opponent by 29,283 votes. Next to the rallway commissioner, G. W. Marsh, for state auditor, has the largest lead. He beat his antagonist by 28,504. Governor-elect Mc-Kelvie's plurality over Governor Neville is 23,002, while Senator Norris bas 20,396 over Morehead. The total vote in the state was 225,717, which is 77,000 below the record-breaking vote

of the presidential election in 1916. The eighth annual convention of the Nebraska Irrigation association, held recently at Bridgeport, was the largest attended and the most profitable meeting in the history of the association. While irrigation was the chief topic of discussion, good roads came in for a goodly share of attention and several addresses were made on that subject. State seed inspection and certification was indorsed and more adequate laws for the eradication of insect, rodent and weed pests were

Nebraska's army of four minute men closed its work last Monday, the Red Cross Christmas roll call being the last drive conducted. The Nebraska branch has, in over 14,000 addresses, reached over 4,000,000 people since October, 1917. The men will be mustered out Jonuary 15-16, when the government will give a certificate of service to each chairman and each speaker, and a theater certificate to each theater manager who has co-

Mrs. Margaret Mauzy, former Omsha nurse, who shot Dr. George E. Spear during the peace celebration in Lincoln, November 11, was found guilty of first degree murder by a jury at Lincoln. The verdict of the jury designated life imprisonment.

Railroad crop experts estimate that more than 600,000 tons of alfalfa and 2,400,000 bushels of grain will be saved by Nebraska farmers this winter by feeding cattle on the pastures throughout the state. Pasture conditions were never better in the state.

The State Board of Health has inaugurated a campaign for the suppression of social diseases, which requires a physician's report of every case to the state health officer and which requires a person so registered to re port regularly for treatment.

Teaching of foreign languages in grade schools and other educational institutions, if the parents of pupils request it, was recommended by the the state Americanization committee in its report to Governor Neville. The University College of Medicine

and Hospital, Omaha, is one of the grandest and most useful state institutions in Nebraska. Dr. Irving S. Cutter is the dean, assisted by an able corps of doctors and nurses.

It is estimated that 11,000 more persons joined the Red Cross in the last the final total membership in this incomes and war profits. These will state obtained during the Christmas roll drive will total nearly 85,000.

ence of health authorities of the state at Lincoln, putting a ban on all public taxes. gatherings for pleasure, are aimed at pool halls, dances and lodge meetings. Omaha citizens are advocating the

erection of a new public library containing a large art gallery and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 2,000 to 3,000 people. Frank A. Peterson, county attorney

of Lancaster county, has been appointed assistant United States district attorney to succeed Howard Saxton, re-A meeting of the Nebraska State

Bar association, scheduled to be held at Omaha December 27 and 28, has been postponed because of influenza.

The paving laid at Kearney this year gives the city about ten miles of paved streets, practically all of which was laid in the past three years.

The power plant of the Lincoln Traction company at Lincoln was severely damaged when a big boiler, housed in the building, exploded.

A suggestion has been made that citizens of Dodge county vote bonds to erect a memorial to Dodge county soldiers on the site of the old county jail at Fremont.

J. W. Reinhardt, Lincoln, insurance man, formerly of David City, has been named deputy state auditor by Auditor-elect George W. Marsh. Considerable damage was done in

the northern part of the state last week by a severe sleet storm, which swept over the district.

Creighton university at Omaha has been selected as a reserve training camp, according to announcement of the War department at Washington.

Sixty million dollars are to be spent on good roads within the state of Nebraska and the money will be raised by statewide taxation, according to plans now being worked out by good road enthusiasts of the state.

The campaign at the beet sugar factory at Gering is progressing quite well, and is expected to last until the latter part of January.

For having discounted \$26,618.79 in worthless notes at the German-American bank at Chalco, Sarpy county, four agents of the Mutual Benefit Health and Accident association of Omaha were denied licenses to sell insurance for a year by the state insurince board. The board exonerated the insurance company on the ground that the notes were taken and cashed without its knowledge.

REVENUE BILL WINS IN SENATE

Designed to Raise \$6,000,000,-000 in 1919 and \$4,000,-000,000 in 1920.

CHARGE ON LUXURIES IS CUT

Amendments Adopted Include One Making Washington Dry and Another Gives Bonus to Fighting Men.

Washington, Dec. 26 .- Without even a roll call the senate Monday night passed the war revenue bill, the large est tax measure in the history of the world, designed to raise \$6,000,000,000 In 1919 and \$4,000,000,000 in 1920.

Just before the bill was placed on its final passage Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin led an eleventh hour fight to boost the levies on big incomes and war profits. He offered a substitute bill which he claimed would raise approximately \$6,700,000,000. Ht was voted down, 55 to 6, Senators Borah, Norris, Gronna, Nugent, LaFollette, and Vardaman casting the affirmative

Amendment: adopted included ond by Senator Sheppard of Texas making the Reed law, prohibiting shipment of intoxicating liquor into "dry" territory, applicable to the District of Columbia and another by Senator Trammell of Florida providing for a bonus of one month's pay to all officers and enlisted men honorably discharged from the nation's fighting forces after November 11.

Senator Pomerene of Ohlo tried to get the senate to reverse its decision practically to nullify the Burleson postal zone system for newspapers and magazines. His motion was defeated, 41 to 22.

Senator Kirby of Arkansas proposed an amendment to prevent further loans to the allies. His proposal received virtually no support and was shouted down by a viva voce vote.

The revenue bill, having already passed the house, now goes to confer-

It is not likely the bill will become a law much before February 1, leaders predicted. As the bill passed the house last

September, it was framed to raise \$8,* 000,000,000 on the theory that the war expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919, would be \$24,000,000,-000. The signing of the armistice was followed by a reduction of the \$24,000,-000,000 estimate to \$18,000,000,000 and a consequent reduction of the bill to \$6,000,000,000. Democratic senators, voting solidly, put into the bill a provision fixing the taxes for 1920, at rates expected to yield \$4,000,000,000.

The main sources of revenue, under drive than one year ago. It is believed the provisions of the pending bill, are furnish approximately \$4,600,000,000. The remainder of the \$6,000,000,000 Resolutions adopted at the confer- will come from the levies upon alcoholic beverages and miscellaneous

> By a vote of 38 to 32 it was decided to restore the tax on luxurles and semi-luxuries costing more than a certain fixed price. The house voted a 20 per cent levy upon such articles. The finance committee struck it out. After repudlating the finance committee's amendment the senate adopted an amendment offered by Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin reducing the tax to 10 per cent. It was calculated that the amendment as it now stands will yield about \$100,000,000 revenue.

> An amendment proposed by Senator Thomas of Colorado levying a 100 per cent tax upon all campaign contributions in excess of \$500 was adopted by a vote of 34 to 28. The amendment is designed to weaken the influence of "big business" in politics, according to its author. By a vote of 33 to 28, the senate

> adopted an amendment by Senator Johnson of South Dakota striking out the proposed 5 per cent tax on automobile trucks, wagons, trailers and tractors. The tax on automobiles and motorcycles stands. The Johnson amendment, it was explained, was framed in the interest largely of the farmers. Bone dry prohibition for the Dis-

trict of Columbia was adopted by a vote of 42 to 18.

Taxes on the incomes of married men with no dependent children under the senate revenue bill would be:

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Wilson in Rome on January 3.

will arrive in Rome on January 3, ac-

Rome, Dec. 24.-President Wilson

cording to an announcement made in the Italian newspapers.

Sent on Food Mission. Madison, Wis., Dec. 27.-Magnus Swenson, head of the Wisconsin food administration, has been directed by Herbert C. Hoover to sail for Europe on Saturday to take up food control work in Europe.

Chicago Jewelry Store Robbed.

Chicago, Dec. 27.-Four men robbed the Iralson Jewelry company of gems valued at \$100,000. The men entered the jewelry shop in the Chicago Savings Bank building, held up the place and escaped.