France Glad at Promise of U.S. Aid

Official Circles Worried Over again Mr. Harding. "A rebellion Question of Reparations-Await Attitude of Harding on Proposed Plans.

Germans Make Payment

Paris, Dec. 17 .- (By A. P.)-The in the jungle is immune. allied reparations commission received a German treasury bond to the amount of 52,087,564 gold marks in settlement of the last monthly payment, due December 15, according to the schedule agreed upon last August for meeting Belgium's repara-

These payments were supposed to be for 60,000,000 gold marks each, due the 15th of each month since August. The discrepancy between the latter sum and the amount received was represented by credits given Germany, for certain deliveries in

It was said at the Qual D'Orsay that no official communication had been received from the American government and that French official circles would wait more definite information before commenting upon President Harding's supposed plans. A high official, however, admitted that the French government was sufficiently worried over the question

to welcome any sort of real help. Loan to Germany. The whole question, he declared,

any rate, giving Germany credit so were notified and a search began, she will not be obliged to send money. The body was found by a party

armistice from the immense profits Mr. Porter's death "a case of suicide they have made on their exports. Mr. Porter, who was 46 years old Their heads of industry and even the and a member of the investment German government, admit the fact; banking firm of Boettcher, Porter & therefore the reason may be asked, Co., was one of the most prominent why is it necessary to loan money men in financial, business, social and

entinged the authority, whether state: not the only thing required, But that ency. it is necessary she be convinced her treaty obligations must be fulfilled." Strong Labor Vote Cast

Administration Silent.

American aid in the German reparations deadlock

to that course had gone wide of the feat.

Paris dispatches, saying that Premier Poincare had been sounded out informally with a view to Washington intervention toward unsnarling the reparations knot, afforded a glimpse of the method Secretary Hughes is employing to bring Ameri- from wrongly addressed mail. can influence to bear. This "insaid, cannot be conducted "on the

Interest Aroused.

officials here from their entrench- 000 a year. ments of silence. But it aroused great interest, insofar as it reflected the official attitude in Paris toward the general principle of American helpfulness in the emergency.

obvious that any American overtures must be predicated upon knowledge that they would be welcome, both in made some of the most important London and Paris. It is that pre- purchases, among which was a platiuninary stage of negotiation which num chain and maltese cross, the would not sanction an offer of good offices or help in any other form until it was certain it would be ac-

The report that feelers have been put out abroad was in line with the statement that there was nothing imminent in the situation.

Pessimism Expressed

Berlin, Dec. 17.-While the mark has improved 20 per cent in the last four days, cabinet and parliamentary gircles are still pessimistic over the possibility of a loan from America expressing a belief that American bankers never will grant a loan as long as the peace treaty gives the aliles the right to seize the Rhineland and Ruhr and enforce other sanctions for productive guarantees.

The opinion of everyone is that the allies will refuse to give up their rights for sanctions, which it is believed will prohibit the loan.

The improvement of German mon- for

bank buying up marks abroad. Three Killed, Four Hurt When Fire Razes Cottage

Akron, O., Dec. 17 .- Three men were burned to death and four others other days, to help him. were injured, one probably fatally, early today when a fire destroyed a I've got,". Weston said, and their cottage in which they were sleeping friendship began. "But he just would dead and injured lived at Massillon.

city engineer of Massillon; Frank him he'd have to leave today." W. Williams, 33. prominent Massillon about 9. atterney and former city solicitor for "He stuck a pistol in my face and two terms, was the most seriously fired." said Weston. The bullet seared jured when the boiler of a sawmill

Kansas City Attorney Says Modern "Jazz" Is Protest Against Order

by John T. Harding of Kansas City. Mo., during a speech delivered this evening at the closing of the convenion of the Missouri State Ear as-

against custom, it rejoices in confution, it worships farce, it despises law. repeals the decalogue, it denies peace, it reaches all the way from the dance halls of the Fijis to the blood-stained capital of Poland, it invades councils of labor, counting houses and only the nude savage quarantined be found, was presented by Col. C. R.

Wealthy Denver Man Found Dead; Case of Suicide

Body of John H. Porter Discoverd on Happy Canyon Near Sedalia—Had Been in Ill Health.

Denver capitalist and financier, re- ence by invitation, said that his or night, was found dead with a bullet tion to support the resolution. wound in his head today on the Happy | The American Legion, which is the

revolver was found beside the body. | was not represented at the meeting. fortune of many millions left by his ing by long distance telephone shortly father, the late Henry M. Porter, left | before going into the conference at was as to the nature of the help the his home in his automobile at 10 Sat- in the course of his address, referred United States is disposed to give and urday morning, saying he was going to his conversation with the presithe dispatches indicate it is merely on a "short ride." Saturday night, dent. a loan of money to Germany, or at when he failed to return, the police "I called him up because it was

abroad to buy raw materials and Mr. Porter's friends, who motored to you knew the pulse of Harding. I Sedalla in search of him, and was re- wish you knew his innermost But the Germans have billions of moved to Castle Rock, county seat of thoughts. I wish you knew how he gold marks in credit abroad which Douglas county, by the coroner, who, loves the ex-service men." has been accumulating ever since the following an investigation, pronounced

extend credits for foreign pur- club circles in Denver. His father, Henry M. Porter, was for years rated It would be interesting to know, as one of the wealthiest men in the

the good will of Germany is taken Mr. Porter had been in ill health into account in the new plan and for some time, according to relatives, whether its authors have reflected who said they believed the act which that putting Germany on her feet is caused his death was due to despond-

Washington, Dec. 17.—A stone wall

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 17.—A stone wall

of official silence still surrounds ad

feature of the general elections has

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 17.—A

mending the calling of the confer
tion-wide interest in foreign trade as tour?" ministration purposes with regard to been the strong labor vote throughout the commonwealth but the actual the office of the superintendent of the Max-Muller had just offered congraturesults cannot be known at present. one hint allowed to escape owing to the incompleteness of the ice here, reports the aviator was in to the presidency. from the lips of responsible officials count and the need to await allottoday was negative at best. It im- ment of the various preference plied that decisions as to the govern votes. Although Premier Hughes, ment's course still were to be made who is leader of nationalist party, is and was coupled with a warning that safe, some of his ministers and prom most of the published conjectures as inent lieutenants are in danger of de-

Wrongly Addressed Mail

Costs \$1,740,000 Annually Washington, Dec. 17 .- The Postformal" method of approaching the that the average number of letters cancy in the ranks of the mail flyers problem, a White House spokesman received at postoffices daily with im-

proper addresses was 375,381 and (Top) Paine, also former Omaha mail that the salaries of postal employes pilot. required to readdress this mail The Paris dispatch did not draw amounts alone to more than \$1,000, service about two years, coming to 111. Jewels of Lillian Russell

Sell for Total of \$47.314 New York, Dec. 17 .- Jewels and oth- Ind., and is 33 years old. He was Omaha for a visit, and while here In view of the stuation that er belonging of the late Lillian Rus flying instructer at Chanute field, the operation was performed. brought about the Angio-French rep | sell, which were sold | Friday at the | Ill., in 1918, and test pilot at the aviarations deadlock at London, it seems American Art association galleries, ation center at Indianapolis in 1919. brought \$47,314. Acting as a buyer

ow is in progress. Diplomatic usage chain connecting 25 large, and 385 by the Department of Agriculture to ices will be held. small diamonds, and the cross one large and 25 smaller stones. Theater Owners Organize Co-Operative Corporation New York, Dec. 17.-Formation of

poration, for purposes of co-operation | method and also the new method de among independent owners through veloped in Florida and had requested out the country, was announced to the co-operation of the War depart-Over Chances for Loan day. It has an authorized capitaliza ment in the further testing of the postion of \$5,000,000. sibility of applying dusting. Directors include Sydney S. Cohen New York; William A. True, Hart Plans Made to Harness

W. D. Burford, Aurora, Ill. Aged Men Squabble Over Smoking While in Bed;

One Sought for Shooting

ford, Conn.: Harry Davis, Pittsburgh;

L. J. Dittman, Louisville, Ky., and

New York, Dec. 17. - Michael terests, it was announced. The pro-O'Neill, 80, who persisted in smoking ject's principal backers, it was said, in bed, is being sought by the police are James B. Duke of New York, ey, however, is ascribed to the reichs of his friend, Richard Weston, 60, who Sir' William Price, head of Price objected. The two old men shared a Brothers, Ltd., a large Canadian print room in Maiden Lane, where the paper manufacturing firm. A corshooting occurred.

Three weeks ago O'Neill, lonely, left a home for the aged and appealed to Weston, an acquaintance of

"You're welcome to half of what Little Wadsworth, near here. The smoke in bed and I, being afraid of clue to substantiate the theory that fire, objected. He took offense and, The dead are: Harold Howald, 52. after an argument last night, I told dered before her home one mile east

Wagner, 50, foreman machinist; Le- O'Neill, he added, arose early this roy Hodgson, 28, truck driver; George | morning and went out, returning

Weston's jaws. O'Neill fled.

Harding Pledges Support to Bonus for Ex-Soldiers

President Informs Veterans He Will Back Measure if Means of Financing Can Be Found.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17 .- A direct

means of financing the burden can tion from the company. reau at Wasihngton, before a joint conference of national and state ex. cold?" the mayor asked. "I'm rarin' he contended. ecutives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars today.

In the conference were the members of the national council of administration and the department manders of the veterans' organiza-Immediately following Col. Forbes' address and a discussion which resulted in strong approval of sales tax, the executives unanimous ly adopted a resolution endorsing sales tax with foodstuffs exempted, as a means of raising the necessary revenue to finance the bonus.

C. Hamilton Cook, Buffalo, na-American Veterans of the World Denver, Dec. 17 .- John H. Porter, War, who was attending the confer ported missing to the police Saturday ganization would take immediate ac

Canyon road, near Sedalia, Colo. A largest of the veterans' organizations,

The body was found by a party of be touched upon," he said. "I wish

Air Mail Pilot

Henry Boonstra Missing Between Salt Lake and Rock Springs; Last Seen Friday.

Salt Lake City, eDc. 17 .- Henry G. Boonstra, lost pilot on the Salt Lake- tion, where he was assassinated, Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel in Australian Election over Porterville, Utah. 36 miles north- gerous to expese himself. western division of the air mail servitations on the election of Narutowicz Woman Hit by Taxi some difficulty and appeared to be | Many arrests have been made, prinseeking a landing.

this evening with no favorable re- assumed a new seriousness now that ports. Basing their opin'ons on the President Narutowicz has been assasreports from Porterville, local air mail | sinated. officials believe that Boonstra is somewhere in the almost inaccessible snow covered mountains near that town.

Henry G. Boonstra, reported lost Sister of C. M. Wilhelm office department estimated that a some place between Sait Lake City waste of \$1,740,000 annually results and Rock Springs, Wyo., was transferred to the Salt Lake division from A survey just completed reveals Omaha last August, to fill the vathere left by the suicide of A. A. operation.

has also flown on the Chicago-St. six years ago, she moved to Palo Louis and the Cleveland-Chicago di-

Boonstra was born in Lafavette.

for William Fox, Otto Bernet, agent, Wallace Reports Progress

combat the cotton boll weevil have brought about a situation "more favorable than ever before." Secretary Wallace informed Senator Harris of Georgia ,in a letter made public today

Mr. Wallace declared his depart the Theater Owners' Distributing cor | ment had found effective the dusting

Water Power in Quebec the sources of energy in Lake St. John and the Sagueny river in the the coldests so far this winter. province of Quebec has been under aken by American and Canadian inthe shooting and wounding holder of large tobacco interests, and poration capitalized in Canada at \$25, 000,000 has been formed.

No Traces of Foul Play Found in Death of Woman

Madill, Okl., Dec. 17 .- County officers have failed to find any tangible Mrs. A. M. Chastaine, 30, was murof here, was burned.

Three Killed by Explosion, Van Buren, Ark., Dec. 17 .- Three men were killed and two seriously in-

Nicodemus "Rarin' to Go"

OMAHA, MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1922. *

Oklahoma Mayor Who Tapped Natural Gas Company Line to Save Freezing Town Not Worried by Threatened Court Action.

who Friday brought the company's lines. as company without authoriza- later, he said.

back up his action to the limit. stained capital of Poland, it invades service men providing a feasible worried about thoughts of court ac-

to go. Let 'em hop to it," he ex- The mayor dispatched letters to the ence Monday to determine upon a plaining his action.

Okl., Dec. 17 .- Mayor Course of action to force the city to nus, champion of freez- sever its unauthorized connection with

city for the first time A meter was installed when the a a week by the simple line was tapped and the gas being of tapping the high press used by the city is being measured, seline of the Oklahoma Nat- so that an adjustment can be made

of the company, says he is ready | The Oklahoma Naural Gas com-Mayor Nicodemus said he was not to the Oklahoma Gas & Electric com- Hugh Lamaster, attorney for the "Do you suppose that any court surrounding towns. There was no Omaha tomorrow, when three railin the world would see a town of reason why the company could not road companies-the Burlington, the 6,000 persons suffering from the supply other Drumright consumers. Northwestern and the Minneapolis &

Polish Parliament Harding to Take to Name President | Up Prohibition Next Wednesday

tional commander of the Disabled Gen. Sikorski Assumes Pre- McKelvie of Nebraska Among miership-Body of Narutowicz to Be Buried After Election.

Warsaw, Dec. 17 .- (By A. P.)-Mr. Porter, who was heir to the Col. Forbes called President Hard- Marshal Joseph Pilsudski, former Harding's conference with governors provisional president of Poland, has on prohibition enforcement will take been appointed chief of staff of the Polish army. He replaces General Sikorski, who has assumed the pre-

> political parties, and the formation tion circles it is now believed that an within a few hours of a new cabinet, other conference will be necessary aft through the efforts of M. Rataj. who automatically became president when nors will be out of office after the Narutowicz was assassinated, and of first of the year and the new group General Sikorski, who was called to will be charged with co-operating in a feeling of security. The immediate law. Lost in Rockies summoning of parliament for next Wednesday to cleet a new president will attend the conference are: Govinroads of a recovering European Competition," Dr. Julius Klein, direchas strengthened this feeling.

Tuesday to the ancient royal palace, Missouri; Davis, Idaho; Campbell, great public ceremony. The funeral kle, Virginia; McCray, Indiana; Cox, Narutowicz visited the art exhibi- Baxter, Maine.

service, is believed to have been seen wak, who told him it would be dan. Slayton, executive head of the Asso- foreign trade were based partially on ply an effort to prevent occupation of It is pointed out that if the surtime. Communication by telephone to lister. William G. Max-Muller. Mr. | ence.

cipally among the veterans of General Seven planes, sent out on scouting Haller's army, in connection with disexpeditions today, returned at dusk orders and suspected plots that have

> There is general mourning through out Poland, owing to the assassination of Narutowicz.

Dies on Visit to Omaha Mrs. Frank K. Hill, sister of C. M. Wilhelm of Orchard & Wilhelm, died at Methodist hospital following an 320 South Twenty-sixth street. He Mrs. Hill was married in 1873 to

Dr. Frank Hill at Lima, N. Y., and Boonstra had been in the flying moved with her husband to Rockport, Omaha from the Reno division. He After the death of her husband

Alto. Cal., where she resided with a daughter, Mrs. Percy Stevens.

Six weeks ago Mrs. Hill came to She is survived by a son, Fred C. Hill, president of the Hill Motor company of Omaha, and a daughter, Mrs.

Stevens, who is now here. Mr. and Mrs. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Against Cotton Weevil Wilhelm and Mrs. Stevens will go Washington. Dec. 17.-Steps taken to Rockport, where the funeral serv

Passengers Landed Safely

St. Johns, N. F., Dec. 16. - One hundred and twenty passengers of the steamer Prospero, which ran aground on Small Island, near Green's Pond, on the east coast of New Foundland Saturday night, were safely landed this morning. The vessel, which is owned by the New Foundlanl government, was refloated later, with num bers one and two holds damaged.

Oklahoma City Shivers

Oklahoma City, Dec. 17. - Six de grees above zero, the mark register-New York, Dec. 17.-Development ed at 6 this morning by government of a water project designed to produce thermometers here, is the lowest tem 1,200,000 horsepower by harnessing perature Oklahoma City has experi enecd in December since 1920, and



Bird's-Eye View

of "for sale" signs rep resenting some of the best real estate buys in Omaha and suburbs, as given today-and every day-in the "Want" Ad columns of The Omaha Bee, saves trouble, time and money for buyers.

Are YOU looking over these real estate bargains?

With Governors

State Executives Who Will Confer With President Today.

place Monday at the White House Sixteen state executives have signified their intention of attending, several having already arrived from White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where the President Narutowicz has aroused the sense of patriotic duty among all the political partial p

Seriously Injured

street, is in a critical condition at the with 1,000 a day a year ago. Lord Lister hospital as the result of The great interest shown by Amerat Sixteenth and Farnam streets. head and face and possibly a fracture business man, either large or small,

struck her as she stepped from the and changed conditions wherever sidewalk to board a Farnam street there are markets.

The taxi driver was Frank Williams, was arrested and released on furnishing a \$1,000 bond.

Two Outlaws Killed

were killed and five constabulary sol | Foerster, 21, stenographer of Columdiers were wounded when a band of bus, of a "suicidal complex." repulsed and the entire company of cold for drowning. constabulary pursued them into the mountains.

To Aid Zionist Movement Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 17 .- The Southwestern Keren Hayesod at a conference here today, decided to raise \$350,000 in this district to aid the Zionist movement. The district comprises Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Ransas, Oklahoma and Southern Illinois.

"I'm City Broke Now" Nebraska "Tornado" Is Calmed by Soo City Cop Declares Lyons Giant

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 17.-"I'm city broke now," Melvin Felix, 26-year-old giant of Lyons, Neb., declared as policemen led him to the bull pen of the city jail early today.

Felix, who is 6 feet 8 n height, created a regn of terror on a Burlington passenger train while en route to Sloux City, it is charged. It is alleged he bested the train crew and several passengers. Sioux City police were notified that

a Nebraska "tornado" was on the way. Two bluecoats formed the reception committee to meet him when he stepped from the train. "Bring your polics force," Felix

dodged and turned the bad man "upside down" with a right to the glant's Up like a flash, the giant turned on Patrolman Marcus Crost. Again Wheelock uncorked a "haymaker" and sent him sprawling. As the giant

Opera Star Not Worried by What Others Think; Will Hear Rail Tax Suit Today

Commissioner Osborne and Attorney Complete Case-Phone Company to Seek Rate Increase.

Federal Court

Lincoln, Dec. 17.-By working pany, he declared, was supplying gas Tax Commissioner W. H. Osborne and electric power here for a number of they will present in federal court at Omaha-ask for relief from the tax assessment made against them. claimed when told that officials of the state corporation commission and the the same time the Northwestern Bell gas company would hold a confer- Oklahoma Natural Gas company, ex- Telephone company will argue for the right to raise its rates, which the state railway commission has denied

The three railroad companies will ask for a lowering of approximately 40 per cent from the assessment against them made by the state board of taxation. They claim they are assessed at more than their full value, while lands are returned at 68 per cent or thereabouts of their actual value. They are prepared, it is as serted, to submit a number of affidavits to support their claim of under-assessment of lands and some to show they are over-assessed.

The defense of the tax commissioner and the state board has not been divulged, further than to assert in a general way that railroad taxes conform to that on other property.

America Gaining in Foreign Trade

Volume of Exports Gradually Increasing, Commerce Bureau Director Reports.

business has just gone through "one the premiership, has given the people the enforcement of the prohibition of the most crucial periods in the history of the nation's foreign trade and ernor Sproul, Pennsylvania; Allen, competition." Dr. Julius Klein, direc-The body of President Narutowicz Kansas; Denney, Delaware; Ritchie, tor of the bureau of foreign and dowas embalmed. It will be taken Maryland; Kilby, Alabama; Hyde, mestic commerce declared, in the annual report of the bureau, made pubwhere it will lie in state during a Arizona; McKelvie, Nebraska; Trin lic today. The American exporter, ject. he said, has firmly grasped the opwill be held after the election of the Massachusetts; Olcott, Oregon; Hart- portunities presented and is en- ed to save Europe from financial ness, Vermont; Preus, Minnesota, and trenched in the world markets in a chaos," he says, "their first care better fashion than ever before.

Rock Springs division of the air mail against the advice of Premier No for the Anti-Saloon League, and H. breadening scope of this country's what he calls Washington's move, simciation Against the Prohibition a gradually increasing volume of ex- the Ruhr by France and asks: "Is vivors reached Lizzard island in the ports, together with a remarkable, nat this the only result of Clemenceau's storm, they were without food. If

> The number of requests for foreigh trade information are coming at the Mrs. E. Jenicki, 2812 Leavenworth rate of 4,000 a day now, as compared

being run down by a Yellow taxicab ican business men in foreign trade must not be allowed to wane, Dr. She suffered severe bruises on the Klein declared, adding that every must be supplied with all data which According to witnesses, the taxicab would enable him better to meet new

Water Proves Too Chilly

for Woman Bent on Suicide Chicago, Dec. 17 .- Two days of wandering along the shore of Lake Michigan and the Chicago river and Manila, P. I., Dec. 17 .- Two outlaws drainage canal cured Miss Lillian

15 Moros attacked the constabulary | Today she reappeared at the office detachment on Secuban Island, in the of Dr. John L. Murphy, phychoanaly-Sulu group, it was announced in a ist, who has been diagnasing her telegram received at constabulary self-destruction ideas for two months, headquarters here. The Moros were and announced that the water was too

"I just couldn't kill myself," she told Dr. Murphy. "Death in those icy waterss eemed too terrible." Police had been hunting for her for

Former Secretary of Labor Heads Development Firm

thousand acres rich in coal and tim- cent in Chicago and Pittsburgh; 44 ber are to be developed by a corpora- per cent in Dallas and San Francisco: Firms Seized by U. S. Agents tion headed by former Secretary of 42 per cent in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Labor Wilson in Kentucky and Ten- Los Angeles and Minneapolis; 39 per sand letters from German mail order property. It will extend from Pine gon; 33 per cent in Denver and Mem last week by postal inspectors, fol-Knot, Ky., to either Wooldridge or phis and 25 per cent in Salt Lake lowing the issuance of "fraud or-Pleasantview, Tenn.

State Prepares to Continue Herrin Mine Riot Trial

Marion, III., Dec. 17.-(Ev A. P.)pared to continue the presentation of its case at the opening of the second week of the trial Monday.

New Liner Launched.

New York, Dec. 17 .-- A new Hamburg-American liner, the Albert Ballin, which is scheduled to enter service between the German city and New York in May was launched at Hamshouted and swung viciously at Patrol burg Friday, said a cablegram received by the United American line here Saturday night, when he step-Driver Frank Wheelock, Wheelock agent of the coneern in this country. The Deutschland, a sister ship of the by Roy Harris, an attorney. Albert Ballin, is now under construction at Hamburg and is expected to be

Negro Born in 1807 Dies.

Missoula, Mont., Dec. 17.-"Uncle slowly arose to his feet Wheelock de-Joe Wells," a negro, who said he was When the giant "came to" he was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1807, died being booked at police headquarters here. He came to Missoula about 20 on charges of disturbing the peace years ago and owned a small mining property near here.

intensely interested in my operatic career and not in what people say o think about me," said Madame Gan Walska, to The Associated Press day. She will sail for the United States January 3, for a two-months' concert tour, accompanied by her hu band, Harold F. McCormick. "It will be a chance for some of my American friends to see what a splen-

did wife I have," interjected Mr. Mc-Cormick Mmc. Ganna Walska said her American concert tour would begin soon after she lands. She will not sing in New York city, but will give concerts in the immediate vicinity of the metropolis. Then she will tour south-

ward, as far as Florida.

French Papers Criticise Plan to Aid Europe

Paris Temps Says U. S. Proposal Conceived Exclusively in Interest of Germany.

Paris, Dec. 17 .- (By A. P.)-The re

ported plans of the United States for the rehabilitation of Europe, "seem conceived exclusively in the interest of Germany," says the Temps, in an editorial that reflects the viewpoint of a majority of the French newspapers. Skepticism and resentment predominate in these second-day reflections on the situation, but there are a few words of welcome for the proposition, as in the case of the opposition newspaper. L'Oeuvre, which expresses pleasure over the interest of the United States, "even if it has no immediate practical results."

The Temps says the plan looks as if it had been drafted by the Germans Indian shack before it was able to rather than the Americans, and sugstart inland toward the railroad, Washington, Dec. 17 .- American gests that the Germans, after elaborating an agreement with American bankers, make a proposition to the alhes for the payment of reparations has gained some ground against the and then the allies will see if they pany said that in addition to the crew can make the concessions that are

M. Bainville, in La Liberte, is the company agent, who had been picked most severe critic of the reported pro- up by the Reliance on its last trip to

"If the United States seriously wishshould be to annul the claim they Dr. Klein's remarks concerning the have against the allies." He sees in liance, in addition to its two life-

The writer ad the number of inquiries heceived by Americans would lend will be asked the cold would not be so great, but, the Department of Commerce for in- for some day, just as they already de- being without weapons, their chances

> allies for a common war." Belgian Papers Critical. ports of contemplated action in the 75 miles north of Point Aux Pins, United States looking to the recon- at the western entrance of the St. struction of Europe, have been re- Mary river. ceived with much adverse criticism by | The eastern end of Lake Superior the Belgian newspapers. The Nation is sparsely settled from Batechewana Belge says it would be Belgium and bay to Mickipicoten harbor, a dis-France who would bear the burden as tance of more than 50 miles, and the

Germany's intentions to pay repara-Le Soir regards the plan as evidence that America is not concerned

in the European chaos. Retail Food Prices Increase in November

Washington, Dec. 17.-Both retail the bank, mailed the checks-totaling and wholesale food prices increased \$6,908-from funds he had saved since 2 per cent or more during November. according to figures made public by the Department of Labor. Notwithstanding the increase, the depart ment said, there was a decrease of ? per cent for the year ending Novem ber 15 in retail food prices, while wholesale food prices increased about 11/2 per cent during the year.

As compared with 1913, retail food costs in November were given as 56 Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 17.-Several per cent higher in Richmond; 46 per nessee. A railroad approximately 25 cent in Omaha and Seattle; 35 per liquor concerns were seized at the miles long is to intersect this vast cent in Louisville and Portland, Ore Minneapolis posteffice during the

"Wobblies" in Los Angeles

County Jail Start Riot Los Angeles, Dec. 17.-Yelling and cern several months ago," said R. beating upon the bars of their cells, M. Hudall, postal inspector, "The With four of the five defendants alin the county jail here, started a fered formulas for making beers and with guns during the Herrin riots demonstration Saturday night that wines for \$1 and specifying that the when 20 unarmed nonunion miners was quickly followed by other priswere slain, the prosecution today pre- oners and caused calls from the jail- have been deceived, believing that ers for reinforcements. The demonstration lasted nearly an hour, but ended without any of the

> State Senator Killed Muskogee, Okl., Dec. 17. -- State Senator S. Morton Rutherford of Muskogee, veteran in Oklohoma politics, was killed on a downtown street

> deputies who hurried to the fail en-

tering the cells.

The Weather

Hourly Temperatures.

ped in front of a motor car driven

27 Persons Paris, Dec. 17.—(By A. P.)—"I am properation of the paris Ship Wreck

Tug Goes on Rocks in Lake Superior-Victims Believed to Have Drowned or Perished of Exposure.

22 Passengers on Board

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 17 .-Twenty-seven persons are missing and are believed to have been drowned or died from exposure following the disaster which overtook the tug Reliance, when it hit the rocks of Lizzard island four days

This was the fear expressed by officials of the Superior Paper company, owner of the tug, who tonight, or the first time, admitted that in addition to the crew of 14, the Re-

Hance carried 22 passengers, Seven survivors of the wreck reached here Saturday night. Two others, Mr. and Mrs. John Harten, cooks, were suffering so from cold and exposure that they were left at a station of the Algoma Central railroad for medical attention.

Wrecked Wednesday. The last seen of the missing 27 persons was Wednesday morning, when the Reliance, battling through a blinding snowstorm, went on the rocks of Lizzard island, stripped its wheel and

sank almost immediately

ers, who were forward, took one lifeboat, while nine others, including Mr. and Mrs. Harten, took the other. The second boat drifted several hours in the storm and was blown ashore on the Canadian mainland, 85 miles north of here. Mrs. Harten was so exhausted that the party was held up 36 hours in an

Captain D. A. Williams and 36 oth-

which was reached Saturday. The survivors express little hope that the others survived the storm. The announcement by the comof 14, the Reliance carried 20 lumber jacks, an official of the company's forestry department, and a fisherie's

the lumber camps.

Left Wreck in Launch The missing men, it is said by survivors, left the wrecked tug in a launch, which was carried by the Re-

they reached an island where there were huts, their problem of fighting formation on world markets in all mand, the billions they advanced the of obtaining food were declared to be

slender. The Lizzard islands are a few miles Brussels, Dec. 17.—(By A. P.)—Re- off the northern Ontarlo mainland,

they would have to abandon their nearest railroads are 10 or 15 miles liens on Germany. The Vingti-Eme- inland from the point where part of Seicle considers the plan as a feeler the crew of the tug Reliance was and expresses astonishment that reported to have walked ashore over

America should show confidence in the ice.

Head of Defunct Bank Pays Depositors in Full Chicago, Dec. 17 .- (By A. P.)-Resiients of Pullman who lost money 'n the failure of the Fernwood Trust and Savings bank in June, 1914, received unexpected Christmas presents when their mail brought checks for the entire amount due them.

C. J. Holland, former president of

the liquidation committee completed its work in December, 1917. When the bank, a private instituion, failed in 1914, it had liabilities of about \$30,000. The assets finally realized approximately \$23,000. Mr. Holland told the liquidation committee that he would make good the difference, no matter how many years it

Letters From German Liquor Minneapolis, Dec. 17.-Ten thouders" by the Postal department in

the cases of eight mail order firms. "The undelivered letters at the postoffice now are similar to the ones which were sent by a German conthey will obtain real liquor.

Scotch in Baby Bottles Served at Dinner, Rumor: Dry Sleuths on Trail Boston, Dec. 17 .-- Two investiga-

tions of a banquet on Thursday night of the New England Road Builders association at which Scotch whisky is alleged to have been served in nurs. ing bottles to the 1,000 diners were underway. Prohibition Agent James P. Roberts said that several members of his staff had been assigned to the task of determining who was responsible for the alleged serving of liquor. He said that this investigation was preliminary to a grand jury probe.

An inquiry also is being conducted by the city police. The information gained, it is said, will be turned over to the federal authortiies.

livered the "knockout."