of the ax man as he found them mur- of course, to the Germans. dered in their beds.

Horton was followed by Ross of Deep River, who was pastor of the Presbyterian church in Villisca at the "Ma

by the court reporter in the previous the same force and effect as if the witness testified in person, but a clash of counsel for the defense and the state came when the testimony of Mrs. Kate Simon of Hamburg was read. Her testimony was that she heard Kelly tell of the murder on the train at Hastings on the morning of June 10, 1912, before it had been discovered

This tilt has been the only ripple thus far to disturb the tranquillity of the trial. Judge Wheeler prompted the Simon testimony to be read in

## LORD NORTHCLIFFE DECLINES TO LEAD **NEW AIR MINISTRY**

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sending Lord Reading's vital and most successful mission. I find the censorship still being misused and that men in various positions of au-thority who should have been punished have been retained, and in some cases elevated. The spirit of the men and women of Great Britain is clear-ly as eager and splendid as ever. We have, in my belief, the most efficient army in the world, led by one of the

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"I take this opportunity of thanking you and the war cabinet for the handsome message of praise sent to me as representing the 500 officials of the British war mission to the United Red Oak, Ia., Nov. 16 .- (Special States, many of them volunteers and Telegram.)—The first witness to of their 10,000 assistants deserve day was City Marshal Hank Horton men. The fact that their work is not of Villisca, who was the first to enter known is due to the absurd secrecy crime was discovered. He told of the Every thing these officials are doing is condition of the bodies of the victims known to our American friends, and,

"I trust that I make no breach of confidence in saying that some of the Moore, brother of the murdered Joe documents which have passed through Moore, who told of going to the home my hands as head of the mission are of his brother with Horton the morn-ing of the crime. The last witness of increase our prestige in the United It has done great harm, which should the morning was Rev. W. J. Ewing States and hearten our people at not be underestimated, and is still a

"May I also take this opportunity time of the murder, and at whose home Kelly stayed on the night of with that great people from whom I come. We have had the tragedy of The testimony of Dr. Linquist of Russia, due partly to lack of allied The effort of the U-boat campaign Omaha, who was coroner of this propaganda to counteract that of the to starve out Great Britain by fall county in 1912, was read by the court | Germans. We have had the tragedy reporter from his notes taken in the of Italy, largely due to that same en- Utah Sends Surplus previous trial. An agreement was emy propaganda. We have had the made by the attorneys that the testi- tragedy of Serbia, Roumania and mony of any witness which was taken | Montenegro. There is one tragedy which I am sure we shall not have, trial might be read in this trial with and that is the tragedy of the United

"But from countless conversations with leading Americans I know that unless there is sufficient improvement in our methods here the United States will rightly take into its own hands the entire management of a great part of the war. It will not sacrifice its blood and treasure to the incompetent handling of the affairs of Europe.

"In saying all this, which is very much on my mind, believe me, I have none but the most friendly feeling to-ward yourself and that I am greatly honored by your suggestion."

#### Invaders Prepare to Make Garden in North Italy

Copenhagen, Nov. 16.—Austro-Hungary and Germany are taking steps to organize a business bureau for the occupied regions of Italy. The intention is to lose no time in arranging for the planting of early vegetables on a large scale to meet

the expected spring food crisis.

The German civil administration in Lithuania and the Baltic provinces now is being formed. Baron von Falkenhausen, under-secretary of the Prussian ministry of agriculture and a son of the governor general of Belgium, has been selected, according to the Lokal Anzeiger, as governor of the district.

#### Shortage of Cars Reduces Coal Output Tremendously

Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—Bituminous coal mines in eight large producing centers reported to the National Coal association headquarters here today that inability of railroads to furnish cars had reduced the output in the last 24 hours alone by 137. put in the last 24 hours alone by 137,-240 tons. The Pittsburgh district alone reported a shortage of 1,080 cars and a reduction of output below capacity of 52,000.

T. R. Boosts Victory Loan. Toronto, Can., Nov. 16.—It is an-nounced that Colonel Roosevelt will speak here on behalf of the Victory loan November 26 or 27.



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## GERMAN HOPES DASHED BY DIVERS

Submarines Not So Effective as Teutons Had Hoped; Means of Combatting Them Become More Perfect.

Washington, Nov. 16 .- It was said cast the possibility of a very heavy the Moore home on the morning the about war which still is prevalent, toll of ships next week, or at any subsequent period and that varying results from week to week still were expected. Secretary Daniels authorized this

statement: "The submarine menace has not

proved the decisive factor in the war menace. Its purpose was to starve England by August, and this of course, it has failed to do." The situation is this, as navy

## Sugar to Hungry East

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 15.— The entire surplus sugar supply of Utah will be shipped out of the state in the next few days to relieve the shortage in the east, according to announcement made by the food administrator.

It was stated that no more sugar would be sold to brokers and wholesalers in Utah until after January 1, when importations will arrive from the West Indies and other parts of the world.

starved into submission and is in no allotment. immediate danger of being starved. The submarines still continue, however, a grave menace to vitally necessary sea traffic, and every effort to increase protection against them

must be made Such protection is being increased every month. Additional destroyers are coming into action and building speech at Budapest: of a great fleet of new American destroyers is proceeding rapidly. Vari-ous devices for detecting U-boats are of peace by understanding." being made more effective and instruofficially at the Navy department to- ments for their destruction are betestify in the Kelly murder trial to- to be better known by their country- day that there was nothing to fore- ing improved. The convoying system is working out well and will become increasingly efficient as new de-stroyers and other craft are added.

## Meat Prices Higher Now

on October 15 than a year ago; 87.3 per cent higher than two years ago and 88.1 per cent higher than the average of the last seven years on that date, the Department of Agriculture and at the same time producing an inannounced today.

Prices increased 1.9 per cent from September 15 to October 15, com-pared with an increase of 1.4 per cent in the same period in the last seven

#### Insane Man Threatened Wilson Rochester, Minn., Nov. 16 .- Ed-

vard Nulgraff of Anchorage, Alaska, charged with having sent threatening letters and telegrams to President Wilson, was adjudged insane in probate court here today and committed to the insane asylum at Rochester.

#### Wilson Aids "Y" Fund.

Washington, Nov. 16.-President Wilson today sent his check for \$100 to the Young Men's Christian association war camp recreation fund. It

of this year has failed. Winter is was received by the local committee, here and Great Britain has not been which has about \$54,000 of its \$150,000

#### Peace by Understanding,

Demand of Austrians London, Nov. 16 .- Count Karolyi, the Hungarian opposition leader, is quoted by the Central News correspondent at Zurich as saying in a

"Despite the recent events, we will

## Alaska Fur Seal Herds Are

year, as compared with 1916, was an-Than They Were Year Ago nounced by the Department of Commerce today. The herd contains 468,-692 animals. The fur seal results in Washington, Nov. 16.—Prices of meat animals—hogs, cattle, sheep and chickens—were 62.2 per cent higher are in harmony with the gratifying Alaska, according to the department, increases in the size of the herd shown annually since the suppression of pelagic sealing, with prospect of and at the same time producing an increased revenue for the government.

#### U. S. Navy to Keep Right After U-Boats

Washington, Nov. 16 .- American naval experts, it was made plain today, do not agree with the view that the lull in submarine activities indi-cates a collapse of the U-boat campaign or that anti-submarine measures have proved wholly effective. They agree that progress is being made against the menace, but prefer to postpone judgment on whether the U-boat has been eliminated as a factor until the theory has been more thoroughly tested. Meanwhile the American navy will continue its preparations to deal with menace.

## CLIQUE CONTROLS AMERICAN MARKETS

Says Mexican Cattle Man Who Can Not Sell Shipment of Fine Steers and Demands Investigation by State.

San Francisco, Nov. 16 .- D. Eastnan, representing cattle interests in Mexico, announced here Thursday Now Steadily Increasing that he had asked for an investigation Washington, Nov. 16.—A 12 per by the state food commissioner as to cent increase in the size of the fur seal why, in view of the high cost of meat, herd at Pribilof island, Alaska, this he was unable to dispose of 50,000 by the state food commissioner as to head of prime Mexican steers that he said he was trying to dispose of in this country at a reasonable price. "Various excuses are used in turn-

famous sculptor, is seriously ill. His physician, Dr. Stephen Chauvet, has issued the following bulletin:

found here.

"Congestion of the lungs has caused great weakness. The patient's condition is grave.

"usually that storage rooms are full

But everything points to the fact that the United States markets are in the

hands of a clique that regulates the

applies to leather. Mexico, he said,

could furnish great quantities of cat-

tle and hides if a market could be

Rodin, Famous Sculptor, Ill.

Paris, Nov. 16 .- Auguste Rodin, the

The same conditions, he asserted

supply and dictates the price."

#### To Lunch With King.

London, Nov. 16 .- The members of the American mission to the interallied conference were invited to Buckingham palace this afternoon for ng down my offer," said Eastman, luncheon with the king and queen,

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neck, long sleeves, ankle

length pants to match, \$2-

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neck, long sleeves and Dutch

neck, elbow sleeve styles,

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made garments of good qual-

ity; full sizes; medium in

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and colors; medium and heavy weights, \$1.25 to \$2.

Pajamas, Pajunions and

gowns with feet pockets-

also regular out-of-doors

sleeping garments, \$1.75 to \$2.50 and more.

and Pajamas for

extra sizes, \$2.25.

ankle length, \$2.

weight, \$1.00.

#### Christmas Greeting Cards--1918 Calendars

This season designs are more original, both in theme and color. Sentiments to express your own best thoughts.

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New 1918 calendars are unique and attractive.

#### Trefousse French Pique Kid Gloves

Selected kid skins are used in the manufacture of Trefousse. They are precisely cut to insure perfect fit. One and two-clasp pique kid, in colors, white and black, with self and contrasting embroideries are \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.25 pair. Expertly fitted.

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French plate beveled edge mirrors with plain and ring handles. Several beautifully ornamented.

Brushes with flat and concave backs and thirteen rows of fine bristles.

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Notion Section.

#### Cotton Blankets Saturday, \$2 a Pair Gray and tan cotton bed

that are specially priced from \$1.50 to \$2.50. blankets with striped borders, size 64x76; a good winter weight, \$2 a pair.

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#### Children's gowns and sleeping garments, in 2 to 12-year Dr. Denton's Sleeping Gar-

dress styles.

ments, 1 to 10 years, priced according to size. Third Floor.

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