thorities failed to find any signs of a decrease in the epidemic in reports made to the board today, the totals of 921 new cases and 65 deaths varying little from the average of the last several days. In Denver the figures were not encouraging for hopes of an early

Indications that conditions are serious at Leadville were found in an

appeal from the Lake county defense council for means to impress labor for digging graves. It was stated that 41 dead were unburied in that city because of inability to

covery of what the medical officers

pneumonia, which follows Spanish influenza and which always has been

the fatal stage of the disease. The

treatment consists of interveinous

injections of coaguline and has been

found, it was announced, to prevent

hemorrhages of the lungs, which characterizes this new type of pneu-

monia. Three hundred cases have

been successfully treated at the base

GIRL KILLS SELF WHEN

BOYS STONE JEWISH FLAG.

serves guarded house-tops and fire

escapes in Harlem today to prevent

an outbreak of violence among

thousands of persons watching the

funeral cortege of 13-year-old Sadie Dellon, who killed herself Saturday

because boys had stoned a small

Jewish flag which she displayed in

honor of her brother, serving with

the American expeditionary forces.

The girl barracaded herself in her

father's store and drank poison.

When a patrolman broke into the

shop she was found dead, and be-

side her body lay a note reading:
"I cannot see my flag insulted.
Good bye, all."

HOME INTO DORMITORIES

New York, Oct. 30.-John I

into dormitories for women taking

the special courses in recreational

work, to be started here November

29 by the war work council of the Y. W. C. A., according to an an-

nouncement, tonight. The house has

been closed for several years and

Mr. Rockefeller was persuaded to

donate the use of the rooms by his

daughter-in-law, who, as chairman

ested in training women to provide

recreation for girls engaged in war

Washington, Oct. 30 .- Red Cross

PEOPLE ON COAST OF

WHITE SEA STARVING

HUGHES FINDS

MONEY WASTEIN

Plans and Results Achieved

Generally Commended.

However, in Report

of Investigation.

transmittal in which he is expected

His attitude is understood not to

offer his individual comment.

Desirability of speed in putting

finishing touches on the document

was said to have been urged on Mr.

Gregory today by Postmaster Gen-

eral Burleson and Secretary Tu-

multy. After their visit to the de-

Paris Honors Red Cross.

quarters here from Paris.

the war work council, is inter-

ROCKEFELLER TURNS

assert is a positive cure for the

LEADVILLE APPEALS FOR MORE GRAVE DIGGERS. Denver, Oct. 30 .- State health au-

lifting of the closing ban.

obtain grave diggers.

CURE FOR PNEUMONIA FOUND AT CAMP FREMONT San Jose, Cal., Oct. 30.-Headquarters the base hospital, Camp Fremont, announced today the dis-

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YANKS IN ITALIAN BATT 33.000 AUSTRIANS TA

AGREEMENT OF **ALLIES ON PEACE** TERMS IN SIGHT

New York, Oct. 30.—Police re- Differences of View Largely Reconciled Under Friendly Examination in Conferences at Paris; Supreme War Council Not to Meet Until Full Understanding Has Been Reached.

> By The Associated Press. Amsterdam, Oct. 30 .- "The German people shall be the freest people in the world." This declaration was made by Emperor William in addressing the new state secretary October 21, according to a Berlin dispatch printed in the Rheinische Westfallische Zeitung, of Essen.

Paris, Oct. 30.—The heads of the allied governments Rockefeller, sr., has turned the and Col. E. M. House, special representative of the United States government, with the military and naval advisers of the respective countries, continued their informal meetings

> Differences of view, natural to the immensity of the interests involved, have arisen, but under friendly examination they have largely disappeared.

> > **TOWASHINGTON**

Military Party's Control

and Government Being

Driven by People.

Washington, Oct. 30.-The gen-

eral opinion among officials and

diplomats here is that the German

proposal for an armistice and peace.

while having its origin in a plan to

gain time for strengthening the

army and restoring its shattered

morale, has now got beyond the

control of the military party, and

which is driving the German gov-

Another note from the German

did not make it public.

Although some points in President Wilson's declarations may require more complete definition, an entire agreement is in immediate prospect. The supreme war council will not meet formally until this full understanding has been reached.

Kaiser May Abdicate.

Basel, Switzerland, Oct. 30 .- Depworkers, who recently returned to uty Richard Kalkhof declared at a Archangel, from a trip to isolated recent meting of the centrist party recent meting of the centrist party towns along the coast of the White that he was able to affirm that Emverge of starvation and some of the crown, but would abdicate for Gervillages without flour and sugar for many's good, according to the Cologne Tageblatt.

Commenting on the present political situation in Germany, the Frankfort Zeitung says: "In broad circles of the German

people it is made quite clear the people would have been thankful if, in the radical change in the home and foreign policy now begun, Em-**PLANE BUILDING** peror William had drawn personal consequences from those changes, especially for his own sake." The newspaper considers Em-

peror William's strong religious nature as a guarantee of his good intentions in Germany's past policy, and it acquits him of having planned the great war, but it adds that he that the German people are the force has made himself a "symbol of the old regime.'

Require Maritime Guarantees.

London, Oct. 30.-The general na-Washington, Oct. 30 .- Governture of the military guarantees ment plans for turning out quantiwhich the allies will require has ties of airplanes and results achievbeen outlined here as the occupation ed through co-operation of manuof strategical German bases, as well actarers are generally commended as retirement of the German army in the report of Charles E. Hughes on its own soil. Maritime guaranon the aircraft investigation to be tees are considered equally imporsent to President Wilson tomor-row by Attorney General Gregory and made public then. A number of specific acts and plans involved in the big task of preparing the if not the surrender of the whole fleet, appears to be the minimum nation for warfare in the air are terms which would satisfy the Britdeclared subject to criticism, but ish. The sea is as important as the in the light of later developments, land to this island nation, and the some of these are held to be exonly detail in President Wilson's 14 points on which there is constant Officials, who have been in touch questioning, is what the president with the investigation, emphasized today this is not to be interpreted means by "freedom of the seas." Suspición is the word which still as meaning blanket approval of the way the program has been carried

summarizes public attitude toward the central powers' maneuvers. out is given. Plenty of evidence Some of the most important papers inefficiency in manufacturing believe Germany and Austria, or plants and waste of money and time what remains of the Austrian govis presented, they said, indicating that execution of the government's ernment, are working together. They interpret Austria's rush toplans might have been much better wards separate péace as part of a by government agencies and conplan to place Austrian territory as neutral ground between Germany Although President Wilson has and allied armies which may soon not seen the report he has been told its substance. be able to march through Austria. Turkey's position is not clear. The ments. Attorney General Gregory devot-

Committee of Union and Progress ed most of his time today and this evening to perusal of Mr. Hughes' report and to preparing a letter of (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.) (Continued on Page Two, Column Five.)

Hun Troops Ordered -By Commanders to Contaminate Wells

Washington, Oct. 30 .- Documents quoting orders issued by German commanders for the methodical destruction of property and for the poisoning of wells during the recent evacuation of Belgium and French territory have reached Washington. Among them is an order taken from a prisoner, issued by the commander of the One Hundred and Eighth infantry brigade of the German army September 5, directing specifically that certain villages be destroyed by the rear guard.

Designated units are assigned to the destruction of villages named and in addition the order states, "It is the duty of every one to participate in these destructions," which are to be carried out "with more method and less haste." The order, which is signed "Weck," presumably either the brigade commander or his chief of staff, says:

"It is recalled that wells are to be contaminated."

REPUBLICANS **PLAN MEETINGS** FOR SATURDAY

to Speak at Various Places Beginning at 7 O'Clock.

Peace Move Believed Beyond The republican county committee has arranged for a series of street meetings to be held ion Saturday night, with Samuel R. McKelvie and Albert W. Jefferis on the program together with other able

Meetings will be started at Twenty-fourth and Ames, Twenty-fourth and Clark, Sixteenth and Capitol avenue, Fifteenth and Farnam and Twenty-fourth and M streets, at 7 o'clock. The principal speakers will follow a schedule. Mr. McKelvie will appear at Fif teenth and Farnam streets at 9 clock when he will say a few things calculated to cause consternation in the democratic camp.

"Sam" McKelvie, republican gubernatorial candidate, wrote the following statement:

ernment to make a move for end-"This Saturday night Farnam street talk will give me an opportunity to make good on one promise government explanatory of the I have made to the people of Nechanges that have been made or are braska I have traveled throughout projected in the German constituthe state, speaking against the tion and form of government was Hitchcock-Mullen-Gooch machine. received today through the Swiss I have said that I would carry my legation, but the State department message to the people of Omaha and deliver it within the shadow of This note was understood to be the home of that machine-The supplementary to the preceding World-Herald building. I'll make German communication saying to good on that promise and I will not the president that he must have mince words in handling my subknowledge of the efforts that have ject."

been made to democratize Germany. The general feeling of apathy and President Wilson was at work pessimism which pervades the detoday on his reply to Austria's renewed plea for an armistice and mocratic cohorts in this county was emphasized at the luncheon tenderpeace and it was expected that it ed by the Chamber of Commerce to would be dispatched before night, the democratic candidates. Not even but later it was said at the State a corporal's guard responded to the department that there would be no invitation and it was so embarassing announcement regarding the reply to some of the candidates that they left before the speaking started. It was understood that in the

The Chamber of Commerce folks note the president intended to touch had, as had asked the democratic upon the steps that Austria and Hungary have taken in the direccandidates, to be their guests and let them hear what they might have tion of releasing subject peoples to say in support of their candidafrom political bondage, but that the cies. It was a bitter disappoint-Austrian government's plea would ment for the democratic leaders he referred to the allied govern- who are cherishing the forlorn hope The administration was said to be

of carrying their ticket.
"If the candidates do not take apparently is still in the saddle at well convinced now that Austria enough interest in their campaign Constantinople. That Diavid already is nearly out of the war to attend a meeting of this kind, what can they expect of the leaders?" was the doleful plaint heard at democratic headquarters.

> He was primed for the occasion. "Mr. Toastmaster and members of the Chamber of Commerce," began Jerry on the job. "In anticipation of being called on, I reduced to writing a summary of my remarks. county, it is somewhat embarassing

> but not certain, that my actions at

Kaiser Tells Reichstag He MORE THAN 100 Would Abdicate, But the Moment Has Not Yet Come

London, Oct. 30.—"If the moment comes when the interests of Germany demand it. I should abdicate without hesitation; but the moment does not seem to have

Emperor William is quoted as having said this in an address to a number of members of the German Reichstag, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam, quoting advices from Ber-

The emperor said the people must not think that he had decided to remain on the throne at all costs. The dispatch adds that it is generally believed in

Berlin that if the emperor abdicates, it will be in favor of Prince William, the eldest son of the German crown

FOR UNCLE SAM

Released From Service at Small Force May Be Landed to Camp Dodge and Everything Referred to Omaha Exemption Board

service, and all papers in his case army.

4, Omaha." night none of the members cared to peace negotiations with the entente, express an opinion.

Board Takes Up Case.

Local exemption board No. 4, omposed of Clyde Sunblad, Dr. C. W. Pollard and Moses Campbell met behind closed doors Wednes-, day afternoon and the matter of the Juction into the army of Johnny Lynch was gone into.

Previous to the meeting Chief for the resignation of Tony Minardi, tured 1,000 Turks, clerk of the exemption board, who had gone to Lincoln with Lynch to put his case before Provost Marshal Minardi's resignation Anderson. was accepted by the board.

After the meeting Minardi insisted to the Bee reporter that he was innocent of intentionally misrepretheir advance nortward. senting the case, and supposed the ndictment against Lynch had been fropped, though when they met Anderson in the governor's office at Lincoln, nothing was said about it and he was of the opinion that Anderson did not know Lynch was the former Omaha political boss,

Here's Minardi's Story. Minardi explains that before they vent to Lincoln Sunblad told Lynch t was up to Anderson and that Anderson asked for some confirmation from a member of board No. 4 as to this, and after-their return to Omaha Sunblad called up Anderson and in this conversation it was agreed that Lynch could be induct-

Von Kuehlmann to Represent Germany At Peace Conference

ed. Chief Clerk Southard then in-

ducted Lynch into the service.

Richard Von Kuehlmann, former quate indemnity for Australia, the German secretary of foreign affairs, British navy not to permit the Gertatives at the peace conference. | an indemnity is paid.

TO ALLIED SHIPS

Supervise Demobilization of/Ottoman Army, Constantinople Report. Johnny Lynch, former county Amsterdam, Oct. 30.-According

commissioner, is no longer con- to a Constantinople dispatch, re-McKelvie, Jefferis and Others

| McKelvie, Jefferis and Others | Commissioner, is no longer continued to ports are current that Turkey, under the peace negotiations has invited the peace negotiations has invited the allied fleet to enter the Darboard No. 4 last night received a danelles. Troops are not to be telegram from the adjutant's office, landed, it is said, with the exception Camp Dodge, stating, "October 31, of a small detachment to supervise Lynch will be released from the demobilization of the Ottoman

will be sent to exemption board No. | The Constantinople newspaper, Ikdam, on Sunday printed a state-What the board will do in the ment from a "competent source" natter remains to be seen. Last that Turkey had commenced official adding that delegates already had left the Turkish capital. In other quarters in Constantinople, however, it is declared the negotiations are unofficial.

Still Fighting in Mesopotamia. London, Oct. 30 .- The Turks were heavily engaged by the British Tuesday north of Kaleh Sherghat, the of the official report on the Mesopotamian Clerk Southard of the board asked operation says. The British cap-

Turks Evacuate Tabriz. Washington, Oct. 30.-Turkish troops have begun the evacuation of Tabriz, Persia, according to advices reaching the State department today. The Turks are menaced by the British forces in Macedonia in The Turks are menaced by

John F. Bloom Dead

monument erectors in Omaha and day afternoon at his residence after sioner of the United States. a short illness of influenza. Mr. Bloom came to Omaha from

Sweden in 1900. He was a member of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and also was a Mason. He is survived by a wife, Emma F., and five children, one of whom, Capt, Carl W. Bloom, is in France with the field artillery.

Surrender and Indemnity,

Melbourne Council Demand Melbourne, Australia, Oct. 30 .-(Via Montreal.) - The people of men in this city had heard of it nition wagons. Australia will not be satisfied unless already but they quickly indicated Germany surrenders unconditionally | their alarm at publication. it is declared in a resolution unanim-Copenhagen, Oct. 30 .- The Berlin ously adopted by the city council at okal Anzeiger, a copy of which Melbourne. The resolution requests has been received here, says Dr. that Great Britain insists on an adewill be one of Germany's represen- man flag on any occasion until such

TOWNS LIBERATED BY ALLIES' DRIVE

Fighting Extends Practically Along Whole Course of Piave River and Enemy Forces on Lower Stream in Danger of Being Cut Off; Left Wing Retreating in Disorder.

BULLETINS.

Vienna, Thursday, Oct. 31.—(Via London)—"In view of our desire for peace, our troops on Italian soil are evacuating occupied regions," says an official statement issued late tonight.

Saloniki, Oct. 30.-Serbian cavalry has reached the Danube east of Semendria, 24 miles southeast of Belgrade, and occupied Pozharevatz, headquarters announces today.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Thirty-three thousand Austrian troops, including 802 officers, hundreds of guns and innumerable machine guns have been captured by Italian and allied forces on the Italian front, said an official dispatch today from Rome. The Three Hundred and Thirty-second American infantry regiment has gone into action and the fighting now extends practically all along the course of the Piave river.

BY PRESIDENT?

Friends in New York Hear Place Pledged by Wilson to Former

Secretary. (From New York Tribune.) New York, Oct. 30 .- (Special Telegram.)-William J. Bryan as one

commissioners from the United States to frame the final peace terms at the conclusion of the This is the "consolation prize" said to have been promised Mr. Bryan for so gracefully stepping down and out as secretary of state early in the great war. Mr. Bryan within the last year

has conversed with one or two of his intimate friends about such an honorary appointment from the hand of the president to round out his career. These intimate friends are convinced that the president has After Brief Illness Bedged him such an appointment. John F. Bloom, 918 South Thirty- stands it or not, Mr. Bryan's friends third street, one of the leading today are indulging in the hope that within a few weeks his name will founder of John F. Bloom & Co., be once more emblazoned in news-1702 Cuming street, died Wednes- paper headlines as a peace commis-

Talked Among Friends.

The news that Mr. Bryan is slated for this conspicuous honor is circulating among Presbyterians and Methodist clergymen whose activities in the nation-wide dry federation movement; of which Mr. Byran is the head, have placed them

confidences of Mr. Bryan. When the news reached the Trib-

"Pinning the story down" was not a light task but partial confirmation of it was obtained today a United States peace commissioner troops on the lower Piave.

until this question was put in writ-

From High Source.

"It is true that I have been informed that suggestion contained n your question is substantially rue. I have no direct personal knowledge, for Mr. Bryan does not confide in me. The information came to me from a very prominent, high-grade gentleman of unimundoubtedly believes that it is correct, and who frankly gave me the sources of his information."

The Tribune in a telegram to Mr. Bryan at Asheville, N. C., asked him for a statement regarding the report, and received the following

The Three hundred and Thirtysecond United States infantry is com, osed of men from Ohio and some Pennsylvanians. The Americans reached Italy late in July and were warmly greeted by the king and the ministers and the populace. generally.

Advance Irresistible.

The Austrians are resisting stubbornly, throwing in many new dibut have not been able to stop the advancing forces. More than 100 villages and towns have

The battle line is pressing closely upon the heels of the enemy, the message states, having reached yesterday the river Livenza where the Austrians attempted to stand to save their threatened principal lines of re-

The Austrian army corps on the left wing has retired in disorder. leaving behind war material and several hundred guns. The Sixth Austrian army corps is said to be in a very critical position, engaged in heavy defensive fighting on the hills between Val Bobbiadene and the Soligio river.

In Albania the Italians have oc-cupied San Giovanni Di Medua, and are advancing on Scutari.

Treat Commands Americans. Italian Army Headquarters on the Piave Front, Oct. 30.—Amer-

ican troops under Major General Charles G. Treat have crossed the Piave river. The third army has established three bridgeheads on the lower Piave. The American troops on

front are operating with the Tenth army composed of British, Italians and Americans, under Lieutenant General, the Earl of Caven. This was the first army to begin operations by establishing a bridgehead across the Piave river at the island of Grave Di Papa Depolo.

Austro-Hungarian forces are retiring in the region east of Conein a natural relation to receive the gliano. They are leaving behind them scattered along the roads towards Vittorio, seven miles north une today, a reporter, discovered of Coneggliano and Sacile farther that some of the "original" Bryan to the west, many big guns and mu-

Austrian Position Critical.

The capture of Conegliano by the Italians was important, since that town is the center of five highways from William H. Anderson, state and also is situated on the railway. superintendent of the Anti-Saloon The city is being used as a supply league, who is in close touch with station for the Italians, From this political conditions, both in New city the Italians will be able to York and in Washington. Mr. An- dominate not only the lower mounderson would not discuss Byran as tain region, but also the enemy

ing and handed to him. Then he already have crossed the Piave. The wrote his answer in part as fol-lows; position of the enemy forces in the lows; and they may be cut off.

The taking of Congeliano was effected by Italian troops who crossed the Piave south of the Nervesa region Monday night in the face of an intense artillery fire. They cut their way through roads barred and blocked by barbed wire and machine gurls. The first troops high-grade gentleman of unim-peachable veracity—a democrat who cyclists, who were followed by the Como infantry brigade. The Italians were met by civilians waving Italian flags.

British Cross Monticano.

London, Oct. 30 .- British troops in the offensive on the northern Ital-"Am unable to answer your crossed the Monticano river, ian front have at some places

His attitude is understood not to differ radically from that of Mr. Little Black Crosses Dot Scene of Four Years' Battle

partment of justice, it was said the report would be sent to the White House early in the morning and under command of King Albert has happy, liberated towns. probably would be made public besuffered little in comparison with West of the line which the British other parts of the little kingdom and Belgians held for four long

show its appreciation of the work line accomplished by the American Red F Cross in France at a celebration planned by the municipal council to take place in the French capital. November 14, said a cabbegram received today at Red Cross head-

and northern France. Western years, many villages and towns have Flanders virtually is intact south of been destroyed by German artillery Western years, many villages and towns have Washington, Oct. 30.—Paris will the Lys and east of the old battle fire. Furnes is only an empty shell now its appreciation of the work line. the south of Ypres the stretch of bearing the name of the village is

Belgian Army Headquarters in about, might be called "Dead Man's Flanders, Saturday, Oct. 26 .- (By Land." East of this region, how- As a candidate seeking the suffrage idly coming into its own after four fers to purchase. The enemy was Belgium just liberated by the armies by the war, luxuriant farms and tions of life within the limits of the

Jerry Howard made the only vigorous speech during the session.

relied upon. "It is possible, perhaps probable,

Lille Coming Into Its Own; Food Prices Take Big Drop With the British Army in France can relief committees, they were al and Belgium, Oct. 30 .- Lille is rap- ways besieged by Germans with of-

Associated Press.)—That part of ever, there are villages untouched of my fellow citizens in all sta- years of stultifying conditions im- willing to pay any price for this posed by the invaders. The streets food, but the people used to hide have an air of happy activity and their meager supplies. to me to appear here before your business is being resumed. Prices The city is having considerable august body, fearing that I might of foodstuffs have dropped enor- difficulty with light and water benot pass muster as a candidate to be mously with the opening up of sup- cause the Germans severed the elecplies from the allied territory. Potatoes form a striking instance. off the water supply when they Under the German regime they were left. From the region of Nieuport to merely a geographical name. A post past sessions of the legislature," he seven francs per kilo (about two When the British reached the

tric wires in most houses and cut

continued, and he suggested that pounds), now the same amount may place there was considerable dysenground and the territory for six the only thing remaining to show the time has come to vote for inor more miles on either side, which where Ramscapelle stood. In this dividuals rather than for party lawas the battle ground for four region poison gas has killed all vegyears, judged by the numerous little etation and the trees stand gaunt black crosses that are scattered all and bare of foliage.

In this dividuals rather than 101 party latod was extending the dear while the Germans were in cleaned for four years. These conthe subject."

Am unable to answer your crossed the Monticano river, the subject."

Come the subject."

Crossed the Monticano river, the subject."