OTHER NEUTRALS MAY JOIN AMERICA

Aid in Protest to Great Britain Expected.

PRESIDENT WARNS SHIPPERS

Concealed Contraband Certain to Hamper Government.

REPRISALS ARE DISCUSSED

Members of Congress Suggest Embargo on Shipments to Allies. Wilson Predicts Indemnities Will Reach Millions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. - President at Culver in the afternoon. They are: Wilson appealed today to American William Beogli, Cluver, County shippers of non-contraband goods, such Judge; W. E. Johnson, of Madras, Counas cotton, not to allow their cargoes to be mixed with contraband articles. The City, Sheriff; W. E. Holcomb, of Gate-United States Government, he an- way, Assessor; Mrs. Eva Knapp. of nounced, could deal confidently with Gateway, County School Superintendtreatment of American commerce by veyor, an applicant; Bud Cram, of Gate-Great Britain only if supported by ab- way, Stock Inspector; W. P. Myers, Dis-

of the general shipping situation and of the note dispatched to Great Britain protesting at length against the formation contained in a telegram re-British policy of prolonged detentions celved yesterday by J. W. Brewer, of of cargoes and other interference with the Oregon Immigration Commission.

Othor Neutrals May Act Also.

the White House and State Department, of the message. By the action of the aroused much interest, not only in diplomatic circles, but in Congress and ferson County was carved out of the official quarters generally, Many diplo- original boundaries of Crook County. mats of European and South American countries made formal inquiry at the State Department concerning the note, AUSTRIAN ATTACKS FAIL and a memorandum on the subject was promised them.

There was a confident feeling in diplomatic quarters that steps would be taken by other leading nations of this hemisphere, as well as by some American point of view.

Britain's Own View Reiterated.

for an improvement in the condition of European commerce, and was prepared the dispatch, to storm the Montenegrin to insist further on its rights. The position completely failed. Two Aus-President declared that the theory ex- trian aeroplanes few over Antivari, pounded by the United States in its firing with machine guns, but caused note was, from the American point of no damage. view, hardly debatable, as England had adhered in previous wars to the Washington Government.

gested that, in order to support the American Government in its effort to protect cargoes of non-contraband goods, shippers and shipping companies should be warned against concealment was that some shippers had concealed generation. contraband in their cargoes of noncontraband articles.

Suspicion Reflects on Innocent. that kind, the President added, suspi- proved by the military authorities. cion was cast on every shipment, and all cargoes were liable to doubt and to search.

State Department officials said later that there were two cases in which this had occurred, and that Great Britain had consequently used them as a basis for general search

Solicitor Johnson declared it was abundertaking, but he pointed out that to the clubs and high grade restaubarrass all shipments.

Some officials expressed the opinionthat one of the results of the present ka and other spirituous agitation might be the enactment of throughout Russia. legislation which would penalize the lighter alcoholic drinks, such as beer manifests of cargoes,

Possible Reprisuls Considered. In some quarters there was talk of possible reprisals by the United States ITALY IRRITATES VIENNA in case the British fleet did not accord better treatment to American cargoes.

One idea advanced in Congressional circles, and discussed in executive quarters to some extent, was the possible enforcement of an embarge against shipment to the allies of prodacts which the United States considered legitimate articles of trade, but h the British fleet prevented from reaching Germany or Austria.
In circles close to the White House

however, the belief was confidently expressed that none of these measures would be necessary, as Great Britain, which is said to have included an offer understanding the seriousness of the of Southern Albania to Italy upon her situation to American industries, would of Southern Albania to Italy up take steps to ameliorate the conditions agreeing to certain conditions. egainst which this Government had

protested. State Department officials would

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BAKER, Or., Dec. 29 .- (Special.) venture no guess as to the size of the The second snow in the last two days damage claims being accumulated by started tonight and inside of an hour detentions of American cargoes, but there was an inch added to the four President Wilson himself predicted that Inches of snow already on the ground.

CULVER IS VICTOR ON 341ST BALLOT

JEFFERSON COUNTY-SEAT FIGHT LASTS DAY AND HALF.

Selection Is for Two Years Until Voters Choose-Madras and Metolius Lose--Buildings Offered.

METOLIUS, Or., Dec. 29 .- (Special.)-After a day and a half of balloting the County Court of Jefferson County today decided to favor Culver as the DRESS DEMANDS UNCERTAIN ounty seat for two years and until the permanent county seat shall be determined by voters of the new ounty.

Madras, Metolius and Culver were ctive candidates for county seat honors and as the court recently appointed by Governor West is composed of men friendly to each town, the fight was lively.

William Boegli, of Culver, is County Judge and the Commissioners are Roscoe Gard, of Gateway and J. M. King. of Opal City. Mr. Boegli was for Culver, Mr. King for Metolius and Mr. Gard for Madras. It took 341 ballots to de-

Each town offered free rental of ounty offices and Courthouse for the use of the county for two years.
Following the naming of the new county seat the following officers were named at a meeting of 175 taxpayers

the difficulties which had arisen in the ent; E. V. Egon, of Albany, Or., Sur-This statement followed a discussion by the President with his Cabinet today ty Commissioners.

That Culver had been chosen as the county seat of Jefferson was the infrom J. C. Cockerham, of Portland, who is now at Culver looking after his ex-Publication of a synopsis of the note, tensive property interests there. "Culthe tenure of which was confirmed at ver won county seat," is the wording

Montenegrins Repulse Enemy Near Grahovo With Heavy Loss.

PARIS, Dec. 29 .- A Cettinje dispatch European neutrals, to point out to the Havas Agency says that the Great Britain their acquiescence in the Austrians on December 28 delivered a series of energetic attacks against the Montenegrin troops in the region of Grahovo, maintaining a violent ar-From the way the President dis- tillery fire principally toward Klobouzi. cussed the situation with callers, it was evident that the Washington Government had speken firmly of its desire heavy loss.

All the efforts of the Austrians, adds

contentions now advanced by the BRITAIN TO MOVE ALIENS At the Cabinet meeting it was sug- Subjects of Enemies Must Leave

District on Coast.

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- Notices to leave have been served by the police on perof doubtful articles on the same ships, sons regarded as undesirable in the The White House then issued its sug- coast towns adjoining the Tyneside disgestion to American shippers to be trict and Sunderland. The persons af-careful about the manifesta describing fected include allens of enemy countheir cargoes. The President said the tries and naturalized aliens of both great embarrassment to the Govern- sexes, and also British-born descendment in dealing with the whole matter ants of allens, including the second

Exceptions are made in cases of advanced age or extreme youth. Those affected must leave within eight days So long as there were instances of to an area 30 miles from the coast, ap-

ALL DRINKING PROHIBITED Petrograd Extends Vodka Ban to

Other Intoxicants, Including Beer.

LONDON, Dec. 29 .- A Reuter dissurd that any general conspiracy to patch from Petrograd says an order conceal contraband in cotton ship-ments could exist, because of the me-sale of all alcoholic drinks in the city. chanical difficulties involved in such an including beer. This order applies even

Early in the war an imperial decree was issued prohibiting the sale of vod-The traffic in making of fraudulent or dishonest and light wines, however, has been permitted hitherto.

Prince von Buelow's Plans for Conditional Concessions Disturbed.

VENICE, via London, Dec. 30 .- Italy's expedition in Avlona, which she oc cupied several days ago, appears to have produced considerable irritation at Vienna, according to advices from the Austrian capital.

It is thought there that possibly the suddenness of the Italian move may have disturbed plans attributed to Prince von Buelow's mission at Rome,

Baker Has 5-Inch Snow.

millions of dollars in private indemni- while the snow continued falling

JOB FAMINE DUE TO CHANGES IN STYLES

Morning

Capricious Women Are Declared to Blame.

Responsibility of Employer to Employe Is Urged Also.

YEARLY WAGE SUGGESTED

Organized Labor Market Under Federal Direction Is Another Theoretical Remedy Offered Before National Conference.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29 .- American vomen should help to provide steady employment for thousands of workers by being less capricious in demanding ever-changing styles.

Employers should be made responsible for their employes both in slack and busy seasons by legislation compelling them to pay a living wage

throughout the year. The labor market should be organized and directed by a National employment bureau with branches every important city, and labor unions should discontinue the practice of drawing sharp lines between the trades.

Labor Exchanges Suggested. These were some of the suggestions offered to insure steady employment to willing workers by speakers at today's sessions of the National Confer-

day's sessions of the National Conference on Unemployed.

John B. Andrews, New York, secretary of the association, outlined a plan by which the entire labor market of the country would be organized under a new branch of the Federal Department of Labor with headquarters at Washington. The first step toward a solution of the unemployment problem, he said, is the establishment of a network of organized labor exchanges. These of sets of the same of t of organized labor exchanges. These exchanges he would have located in every state and every important city in the country.

Philanthropy Is Disliked. Philanthropic bureaus are impracti-

cable, he added, "because of the taint of charity which clings to them." Speaking on the subject of "Public Works," Frank O'Hara, of the Catholic University of America, declared it was the duty of those charged with the expenditure of public money for labor to study the conditions of the labor mar. Oregon, which has been overhauled in ket. Mr. O'Hara recently directed the preparation for her place at the head investigation of the Oregon committee of the naval parade through the Pana-

Economy Declared Possible. "Even where the cost of executing ublic work is slightly higher in in-(Concluded on Page 3.)

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of the Association on Unemployment, ma Canal, steamed from the Puget Sound Navy-yard today for a two days' trial cruise to Cape Flattery and re-

> The Oregon will go into commission next Saturday.

STEPPING ON CUR CORNS.

HERE, JOHN

GET OFF

MY FOOT

Dictation of Patronage Resisted to End.

PRESIDENT READY IN ADVANCE

Appointments in Recess Show Plan Was Prearranged.

COUNTER-MOVE IS PLANNED

Clause in Appropriation Bill Providing That Rejected Appointees Shall Be Stricken From Payroll Is Suggested.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 29 .- Notwithstanding Presidentdent Wilson's assertion that he has no desire to engage in a patronage row with the Senate and notwithstanding his statement that more serious things than patronage are engaging his atten- Russians have captured some German tion, members of the Senate are well aware that the President intends to cation, it is believed here, that the Ger-Wheat farmers withdraw from market with advance in prices. Page 17.

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Chicago. Page 17. approved or disapproved by the Senate. Realizing that the President, before starting his patronage fight, went carefully into all the details, Senators of his own party are determined to resist executive dictation to the end.

Senators' Advance Protests Unbeeded. In not fewer than eight instances convened, nominated men for office over the protest of Democratic Senators tria had three and four army corps bureaus and commissions and abolition known to oppose the men of his selection its re-entry into Galicia, it must of many others are proposed by the advance of the convening of Congress behalf of the appointees in question.

made until the President had con- footing for their horses. definitely, so long as they had the back- have occupied the village of

that the Senate cither would held up "We have gained some ground near Oregon on Trial Cruise. his nominations or would go to the SEATTLE, Dec. 28.—The battleship extent of rejecting them, and it was to block the opposition of the Senate that in the Argonne and on the heights of now exist, eliminate duplication of ef-Normally all these appointments would ently refers to later events than those have been held back until Congress recorded in Berlin, for Paris tells of met, for in none of the eight cases the recapture of a trench which the was the crying demand for the hasten- German ing of the new appointments. The having been captured by the Germans.

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Tuesday's War Moves

Oregonian.

against the British treatment o American commerce and insisting o an early improvement came as a con plete surprise to the British public, as there had been virtually no intimation that any friction had arisen between the two governments.

The placards posted by the afteroon papers were given over exclusive ly to the American note and the papers gave it the largest headlines they hav given any news during the past month Consequently the British people regard this as one of the most important oc currences of the whole war. Nothing of the kind since President Cleveland's Venezuelan message has produced such a sensation.

The first impression of the public is

perhaps some unfriendly feeling, although the newspapers point out that it specifically declares that the representations were made in a friendly spirit. The situation is comparable to that which arose at the time of the South African war when neutral shippers began to send cargoes intended for the Transvaal Republic to the neu tral port of Delagoa Bay.

The Washington note had not reached the Foreign Office tonight, but it could not have been dealt with had it arrived, as Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has been away for the Christmas holidays, is not returning until tomorrow.

Even the war news took a secondary place to the note in the news columns of the papers, although the news coming from the Russian front was highly gratifying to the allies. There has een a slackening of the fighting in Northern Poland between the lower Vistula and Pilica Rivers, where the trenches, prisoners and gunsman frontal attack on the army guarding Warsaw has been definitely checked.

In Southern Poland the Russians also ecord some successes, while in Galicia they have apparently inflicted a defeat on the Austrians almost as serious as that which Emperor Francis' troops suffered in Servia.

Since their latest offensive commenced the Russians have taken 50,000 Austrian prisoners and captured many the President, a week before Congress guns, according to the Russian official eports, and if, as was estimated, Austion. The fact that he gave these have lost more than a third of the Multnomah County regislative commitmen recess appointments one week in number in killed, wounded and pristee recently appointed for that purpose oners. The state of the roads, which is evidence enough that the President are feet deep in mud, has prevented deliberately planned his campaign in the Russians from making the pursuit as effective as it might have done These recess appointments were not could the Cossacks have found a firm

On the fighting in the West the French and German reports are in direct conflict. The French claim they tween Nieuport and Bruges, and two sion of the Legislature. In these cases the President believed other hand, the German report says: miles from the former town. On the

appointments were made the Meuse. The French report appar- fort, avoid conflict of authority and President resorted to political trickery. The French are investing Steinbach, in Upper Alsace.

> News from Germany is coming in slowly, as cable communication be- duty to save wherever it is possible to tween England and Holland is dislocated by the storm and the telegraph wires between Holland and Germany have been wrecked in many places.

With the close of the holidays the recruiting boom has recommenced in England. Large numbers enlisted today.

CANADA WOULD BE FACTOR Steps to Make Weight in War Felt Are Outlined.

ring address before the Canadian Club the normal school, the board of higher at luncheon today Premier Borden Curricula, the State Texbook Commistraced the steps Canada was taking to sion, the present Board of Education make her weight adequately felt in the

"The preparation must be thoroughly and adequately made," he said. "It which the State Treasurer shall be the would not only be useless but criminal head and which shall take over the to send our citizen soldiers into the corporation, insurance and banking defield without the training and discipline which are essential."

The Premier said it was probable if the conflict should last another year the free oversea dominions would have put into the fighting line 250,000 men.

LONDON, Dec. 29 .- (Special.) -A premium of 15 guineas per cent was being paid in Lloyds today on policies

Conflict With Britain.

the declaration of war between Great Britain and America within 12 months from date." The premium to insure against war's

"To pay a total loss in the event of

guineas per cent. FALL FINDS OLD LOST PIN

Albany Woman Stumbles, Hand Hits Bauble Missing 26 Years.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 29 .- (Special.) -A fall recovered for .ars. Gourley Wills a stickpin she lost 26 years ago. While going through a gate Mrs Wills stumbled and her hand, thrown out to break her fall, struck the gold stickpin, which was buried under loose dirt near the gate.

Mrs. Wills lives three miles southwest of Albany.

SHAKE-UP OF STATE BOARDS PROPOSED

Mergers, Shifting and Abolition Planned.

ECONOMICAL BILL FORMING

that the note may create friction and Measure to Be Submitted to Multnomah Men Monday.

MORE EFFICIENCY SOUGHT

Senator Day, Chairman of Body Drafting Act, Outlines Sweeping Rearrangement of Bureaus, Which Discards Several.

************* 12 DIVISIONS INTO WHICH MULTNOMAH LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ASKS STATE GOVERNMENT TO BE ORGANIZED.

Board of control.
State land board.
Department of education.
Department of finance.
Department of health
Department of agriculture.
Department of labor.
Department of animal industry.
Railroad commission. Department of justice. Department of forestry.

Board of fish and game issioners. All other existing boards, commissions, departments or bureaus in the present state government are to be merged with these,

as a means of increasing the efficiency in administering state affairs and ef-

fecting economy in their operation. This subcommittee, which consists of Senator L N. Day, chairman, and Representative-elect S. B. Cobb and Lloyd J. Wentworth, is drafting a bill which will be submitted to the entire Multnomah delegation next Monday night Georges, which is on the main road bes and introduced at the forthcoming ses-

Great Improvement Aimed. Senator Day has devoted much study to the present system of state government. The changes that he propose Heavy fighting is also taking place he says, will correct many evils that remove the cause of much unnecessary

> expenditure of money. "But it is not probable that we will effect a great saving," said Senator Day, "as many of the commissions that we propose to abolish or to consolidate work without pay. I don't care, though, how little we save. It is our save-if it is only a dollar."

Bureau Mergers Planued.

The consolidation plans outlined by Senator Day and the other members of the committee are designed not so much as a means of saving money as an avenue of gaining greater efficiency. The principal provisions in the proposed bill are:

Combine the State Land Board, the Desert Land Board and the Water Board. Create a State Board of Education superseding the regencies of the state WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 29,-In a stir- university, the Agricultural College and

Retain the State Board of Control in

its present form.

Create a department of finance of partments.

Combining of Work Is View.

Combine the work of the Social Hygiene Society with the State Board of Health and give that board jurisdiction over the "food" department of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner's AMERICA IS NEW WAR RISK office; also give the board visitorial jurisdiction over the State Board of Lloyds Issues Insurance Against Medical Examiners, registration of graduate nurses, dental examiners, optometry examiners, pharmacy board and barber examiners.

Create a State Board of Agriculture to take over the duties of the present State Fair Board, the Horticultural Board and the Pure Seed Board, with visitorial jurisdiction over the Agricultural College and its experiment sta-

Combine the present Labor Commisbeing declared between Norway and Great Britain within 12 months is now Commission, Industrial Welfare Comsioner's office, Industrial Accident mission.

Create a State Board of Animal Industry to take over the duties of the Livestock Sanitary Board, the Stallion Record Board and the State Veterinarian and those duties of the State Food and Dairy Commissioner that have to do with dairy cattle and their products.

Merge the State Tax Commission with the Railroad Commission.

Some Not to Change

The Attorney-General's department. the State Board of Forestry and the State Fish and Game Commission are not to be disturbed, but the bill will provide that the State Treasurer shall (Concluded on Page 0.)

