FREE POLAND ADVOCATED

Count Also Declares in Speech to Parliament That Austria Has No Intention of Demanding Ter-

ritory From Russians.

BASEL, Switzerland, Jan. 24.-A dis-patch from Vienna says that during an patch from vienna says that during an address to the delegates of parliament. Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, declared that he considered President Wilson's latest propactions regarding peace as showing a "Mr. Sloan, you seem to use what in parceptible approach to the point of view of Austria-Hungary. There were he said, several points to which Austria-Hungary joyfully could subscribe, but that the following principle first must be laid down:

That where these propositions con-

must be laid down:

That where these propositions concerned Austria-Hungary's allies, as in the case of Germany in Belgium, or Turkey, Austria-Hungary was faithful to her alliances and would fight to the end for the defense of her allies. German Fears Explained.

Poland ought freely and without inchoose her lot," said Count

He declared that he would gladly have seen Poland take part in the peace segotiations, but the Russian govern-ment did not recognize the present Pollsh governments qualifications to speak in the name of Poland.

Count Czernin explained Germany's movillingness to execute occupied to-

misery. Negotiations, declared the Minister, need time, and he added, "when we have reached peace with

unt Czernin declared that he must ely, but categorically, refuse Prespolitely, but categorically, refuse President Wilson's advice on Austria-Hungary's internal administration. There was no parliament more democratic than Austria's, he said. The foreign minister said he did not object to the suppression of secret diplomacy, especially if that meant the suppression of cially if that meant the suppression of

secret treaties.

President Wilson's article on the freedom of the seas, said Count Czernin, was an absolutely satisfactory article against a future economic war and was just and reasonable. He expressed gratitude for the demand for general disarmament, which was in line, he said, with his own previous declarations.

of nations, according to Count Czernin, probably would encounter no opposition in Austria-Hungary. He explained not bound to the Russian proposals for his agreement on the essentials of this, a general peace, the Chancellor ansaying that "Austria-Hungary, like the his agreement on the saying that "Austria-Hungary, like the saying that "Austria-Hungary, like the United States, is composed of groups of states with no opposing interests, a fact which invites the question whether the exchange of ideas between these l. W. W. TRIALS ARE SET two powers could not form the start-ing point for a personal conversation between all the states which have not entered into negotiatio a for

"I have no intention to demand from Russia a single meter of territory or a single cent of indemnity," the Count

SHIP BOARD DROPS FERRIS

(Continued From First Page.)

to Mr. Sloan, because they relinquished their "options" on 12 contracts with the Sloans: for, although they profited to the extent of nearly \$400,000 in so doing. Mr. Sloan said they could have doubled that profit by building the ships and selling them to others. They had, he testified, bought four motorships from him at \$310,000 each and sold them to some mysterious buyers. them to some mysterious buyer for \$500,000 each.

And the Sloans-Yes, they were pahimself to be "prevailed upon to con-sent to do Government work," by Mr. Ferris and Mr. Barnett, of the Clinch-

Mr. Sloan said he had nothing to do



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Changes Prove Expensive.

According to Mr. Sloan, there was justification for some advance by the Clinchfields in the price of their ships and their options to the Shipping Board, for the pinns of the ships were changed—the changes costing nearly \$50,000 per ship. He did not account for the other \$55,000 of the advance. for the other \$55,000 of the advance. Instead of feeling that money was unduly advanced to his company last June and July—some \$1,700,000 being the amount of the advance before construction was under way—Mr. Sloan thinks the Government has been unduly harsh and should have made advances with greater expedition. Also he did not approve of the manner in which the Shipping Board is operating his yard since it took possession in December; he could do it much better himself. As for the reduction of his salary from for the reduction of his salary from \$25,000 to \$10,000, which Admiral Bowles said had been done by the Board, Mr. Sloun said he himself asked that his salary be cut for the period that his yard is building Government ships.

Sloan's Talk Confuses Hearers. At various times Mr. Sloan entered into a discussion of the financial doings of his company, but it was evident members of the committee could not follow his intricate explanation of stock issues, capitalization, etc. This statement was so confusing that Sen-ator Neison was moved to say:

GERMAN CHANCELLOR PROFESSES FAITH IN SLAV TALKFEST.

Reichstag Advised Negotiations Are

ment did not recognize the present Polish government's qualifications to speak in the name of Poland.

Count Czernin explained Germany's unwillingness to evacuate occupied territories before a popular vote was taken was because such evacuation would break up the organizations, communications, industries and administrations which are in German hands, with the creatic of producing anarchy and utter mizery. Negotiations, declared the January 3, when he said the country tral powers as to what were the final was confronted with the incident which had occurred at Brest-Litovsk.

"I then expressed an opinion," the Chancelles and "the control of the delegates of the central powers as to what were the final peace terms.

Hoffmann Defines Frontier.

General Hoffmann of the central powers as to what were the final peace terms.

Russia, general peace cannot long bis Chancellor said, "that we should wait prevented, notwithstanding the efforts of the entente statesmen."

Count Casrain declared that he must assuuch as the Russian delegation again

sian delegation was in earnest with its peace negotiations. All kinds of wire-less messages which were traversing the world with their highly strange ontents might strengthen this doubt. Severtheless, I hold fast to the hope hat we shall arrive at a good conusion with the Russian delegation at

Brest-Litovsk.
"We hope soon to conclude an agreement with Ukrainia which would be Conditions Are Wanted.

The Foreign Minister invited President Wilson to use his influence to induce the entente allies to declare the conditions on which they were mentioned by the period expired for the continuation of the entente nations in the conditions on which they were

illing to treat.

President Wilson's idea of a league tente and had a free path for separate nations, according to Count Cremin, negotiations with Russia. In these neobably would encounter no opposit goliations Germany then felt herself

BOLSHEVIKI LEADERS TO ATTEND HEARINGS IN CHICAGO.

C. R. Griffin, Under Arrest Here in Connection With Raids, Leaves for East in Custody of Officer,

mation which the commerce committee ers will attend the trial of 163 indus-had heretofore obtained in confidence, trial Workers of the World, soon to Mr. Sloan had other interesting tes- begin before Federal Judge K. M. Lan-Mr. Sloan had other interesting testimony to effer today, but none so sensational. For instance, he said in effect that the Clinchfield Company made a "patriotic sacrifice" when it soid to the Government its contracts with Mr. Sloan for four ships at an advance of \$105,000 over what it was to Syndicalisis of Italy, Australia and Spain to send agents to attend the trial. Peter Kirklen, of San Francisco, of the Korensky government, who were additional alleged members were arraigned today as being hopelessly insane. Nine additional alleged members were arraigned today as being hopelessly insane. Nine additional alleged members were arraigned to an appeal has been on the fields, had they held the ships. could have made double the profit by selling to private purchasers. The Clinchfields also were "patriots" according to Mr. Sloan, because they relinquished their "options" on 12 contracts with the Sloans: for, although they profited

ALIENS MAY USE COURTS

NEW YORK, Jan. 24 .- "Subjects of an enemy nation residing here are en-titled to invoke the process of our courts as iong as they remain law-abiding." State Supreme Court Justice courts as long as they remain lawabiding," State Supreme Court Justice
Gavegan held today in a decision denying a motion to exempt the Metropolitan Opera Company from answering for the period of the war a breach
of contract suit for \$50,090 brought by
Madame Ober, German prima donna.

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Madame Ober, he held further, being
a woman, cannot be defined as "enemy
alien" under the President's proclamation.

The decision is regarded as a test
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Madame Smith-Falkner said the 22
central provinces which always import
strain received 400 cars last month instead of the required 6000 cars.

The food control committee was appointed by the Moscow food congress,
held in December. It is not indorsed
by the Bolsheviki. It is non-partisan
and includes members of various political parties.

The decision is regarded as a test and includes case for a number of suits involving litical parties.

DEATH TOLL PLACED AT 98 SCHOOL CHILDREN

Seven Men Only Escape From Dis aster at Nova Scotia Mine.

HALIFAX, Jan. 24.—The death toll of the explosion in the Alian shaft of the Acadia Coal Company's collieries at Stellarton was placed tonight at 98. Company officials said 105 men were at work in the mine at the time of the disaster. Seven of them, who were in the first landing, escaped. Seventeen bodies have been recov-

TEUTONS TO SLAVS

Dispute Over New Frontiers Precipitates Break Between Two Governments.

EARLY DECISION EXPECTED

Immediate Fate of Russia Now Rests in Hands of Congress of Soldiers, and Workmen's Delegates Which Has Convened.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 23,-The Russian Deceased Was Ordainel Member of the felegates to the Brest-Litovak peace conference have decided unanimously o reject the terms offered by the formans.

The decision of the delegates was

announced to the Associated Press to-night by M. Kameneff, a member of the Russian delegation. the Russian delegation.
Final decision as to peace or war.
M. Kameneff said further, rested with
the congress of soldiers' and workmen's delegates, which was convened
here tonight. The congress is expected
to take up tomorrow the question of

peace of war. German Demands Sweeping.

will resume military operations and land, in 1895, occupy Reval within a week, the Ger- In the latter year he returned here, man delegation at Brest-Litovsk ne- working for the Zion Co-operative Mergotiations informed the Russian rep- cantile institution. He was ordained resentatives at the last session of the a member of the quorum of 12 apostles of the church by his father in 1901.

man delegates, replied by opening a map and pointing out the following line which they insisted should con-stitute the future frontier of Russia; From the shores of the Gulf of Fin-land to the east of the Moon Sound Islands to Valk, to the west of Minsk, to Brest-Litovsk.

This completely eliminates Cour-land and all the Bellic provinces.

The Russians asked the terms of

The Russians asked the terms of the central powers in regard to the territory south of Brest-Litovsk. General Hoffmann replied that wask. eral Hoffmann replied that was a ques which they would discuss only

with Ukraine.
M. Kameneff, a member of the Russian delegation, asked:
Reval to Be Seized Within Week.
Supposing we do not agree to such
conditions—what are you going to do?"
General Hoffmann's answer is re-

orted to be:
"Within a week, then, we would oc-The Russians then asked for a recess, which was granted reluctantly.
The Germans declared it was the last postponement to which they would

40 PERISH IN MOSCOW RIOTS

Iwo Hundred Wounded in Celebration of "Bloody Sunday."

sons were killed and 200 wounded in riots at Moscow on Tuesday during a demonstration at an anniversary celebration of "bloody Sunday."

In the next few days.

Sidwell was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Sidwell, of Springfield, and would have been 23 years of age today.

PETROGRAD, Wednesday, Jan. 22.— The Bolsheviki authorities today ar-rested scores of persons including party leaders whom they charged were in volved in a revolutionary plot or ganized among the majority faction of the Social Revolutionists in the Con-stituent Assembly which controlled the assembly in the single session which chicago, Jan 24.—Bolsheviki lead-was held before it was suspended. A sidering proposed changes to the con-ers will attend the trial of 162 indus-battalion of death is reported to have A sailor who is said to have been the tion of Labor.

of the organization, including M. Pokrovsky, former minister for For-eign Affairs, have been arrested as counter-revolutionaries.

PETROGRAD FACES FAMINE

Crisis Due to Food Scarcity, Civil will be the widely-advertised proposed War and Ruble Depreciation.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 23.—"Petrograd is on the verge of famine. Our purpose now is to make it come gradually, not, And the Stoams-1's, they were partriots, too. Mr. Stoam knew it was not profitable to take Government contracts, but he testified that he allowed tracts, but he testified that he allowed tracts.

BENEFIT FOR JUNIOR RED CROSS YOU ARE PARTLY GIVEN AT AUDITORIUM.

Youngsters of Peninsula and Montavilla Make Good Impression in Varied Programme.

Seventeen bodies have been recovered. Two of them were brought out late today.

There aow is no gas in the mine and the work of clearing away debris is progressing rapidly.

To the fund which has already been accumulated in the treasury of the Junior Red Cross Society will be added the mickels and quarters and dimes which were taken in last night at the Auditorium, when the pupils of the Montavilla and Peninsula schools united in giving a community song programme under the direction of Professary and other blood and stomach tonics that physicians prescribe.

It is a wonderful corrective of anemia, paleness, languor, nervousness—which were taken in last night at the Montavilla and Peninsula schools united in giving a community song programme under the direction of Professary W. H. Boyer.

The Quinine That Dees, Not Affect Head Because of its fenic and laxative effect, LaxATIVE BROMO QUININE can be taken in last night at the Montavilla and Peninsula schools united in giving a community song programme under the direction of Professary W. H. Boyer.

The Programme was opened by the singing of The Star-Spangled Banner by the chorus and the audience, led by Professor Boyer. The girls wore

white costumes with big red hair ribbons, which, with the dark suits of the boys, made a pretty stage picture.

The chorus numbers by the boys and girls of both schools were particularly good and were sung with a rhythnic swing which showed careful training. Both patriotic songs and classical numbers were featured with some of the lighter humorous compositions of the present day.

The complete programme follows:

"The Star-Spangled Banner," chorus and

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"The Star-Spangled Banner," chorus and
audience; "Gipsy Song" (Page), "America,"
chorus and audience; soio, "Joan of Arc."
Miss Lillian De Mar; "Santa Lucia," Italian follesong, "Pligrim's Chorus" (Verdi),
"Old Dog Tray" (Steven Foster), "The
Lost Chord" (Arthur Sullivan), Peninsula
chorus; solo, "Keep the Home Fires Burning," J. G. Rillipack; suppliant, "Lo. Thy
Children Bend" (Mozari), solo, "A Perfect
Day" (Bondi, Donald Menzies; "American
Hymn" (Kelier), "Merrily, Merrily Goes
Our Bark" (Leslie), "Almighty Lord" (Mascagni), "Blue Danube" (Strauss), Montavilla chorus; "Allied Patrictic Fantasia"
George D. Ingrain, and community sing, directed by Boyer.

PROMINENT MEMBER OF WORMON CHURCH PASSES.

Quorum of Twelve Apostles by Father in 1901.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 24.-Hyrum M. Smith, apostle of the Mormon Church and son of Joseph F. Smith, president of the church, died last night. He was I

Apostle Smith was born in Salt Lake City. He graduated from the Latter Day Saints College of this city in 1834.
On the day following his marriage to
Miss Idaho Bowman, of Ogden, in 1895.
he left on a mission for the Mormon
Church to Great Britain. He presided Russia must give up Courland and Church to Great Britain. He presided all the Baltic provinces or the Germans over the Newcastle conference, Eng-

WAR ON STILLS IS URGED Moonshiners Are Busy Near Mili-

tary Camps, It Is Alleged.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 .- An appeal to Governors and members of Congress to support a Nation-wide campaign against illicit liquor distillers, was prepared today by Internal Revenue Com-missioner Roper, whose reports show "moonshine" traffic increasing rapidly. The campaign will be directed mainly against Southern dry states, where the location of most of the military camps had added a special reason for the cleanup movement.

Commissioner Roper will ask Governors to furnish state agents to co-operate with Government inspectors in put-

at 8:30 A.M. Saturdays CHUMS PARTED BY DEATH at 9 A. M.

Private Ray Mulilgan Mourns Loss of Fern Sidwell.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 24 .- (Special)-Mulligan of his comrade, Corporal Fern Sidwell. Mulligan and Sidwell had been chums together in Springfield for five years, before the declaration of war. Last night Mulligan arrived in Eugene with the body of his friend, that Last night Mulligan arrived in Eugene with the body of his friend, that it might be buried here, after traveling more than 2500 miles from Camp-Travis, Tex., where both had been serving in the base hospital unit. Mulligan will leave to rejoin his company within the next few days.

Supply May Be Protected.

MINERS MAY DROP I. W. W

Plan Is to Change Constitution to Bar Disloyal Ones.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 24 .- Delegates to the United Mine Workers of America convention spent the day con-

The Bolsheviki found a large quan-tomorrow the indications were that it tity of bombs, fire arms and documents, would drop from its rolls all members, When adjournment was taken until A soldier and a member of the fied if there are any, who insist upon holding membership in the Industrial with the murder of M. Shingaroff and Workers of the World, the Working Professor Kokoshkine, former members of the Kerensky government, who were home, or any dual organization not slain in the marine hospital last week.

GEN. BLISS TAKES MESSAGE

(Continued From First Page.) for vigorous offensive operations on the widest possible scale were includ-ed in the instructions the General received before sailing. Probably the primary consideration efore the Council when it reconvenes

German offensive on the western front. A mass of information has reached the allied powers from many quarters indicating an impending drive against the British and French lines, or both, which will be carefully reviewed.

The possibility suggested by Colonel Repington, the British military critic. A mass of information has reached

with the Associated Press in connec-tion with the reduction of the bread may be to "support negotiations" rather than for an assault is in line with views held by some American officers

> They announce that the German high ommand is endeavoring to set up the bogey of a great attack as a preliminary to another peace drive.
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> The possibility is suggested here that the allies may anticipate the German attack with a great drive, as the Brit-lsh once did in Flanders.

Hereford Steers Bring Big Price. DENVER, Colo., Jan. 24.-The grand champien carload of Hereford Yearling steers at the Denver stock show was sold today to Alex McGregor, of Washington, Kansas, for 15 cents a

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OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 24.—Representative Hawley is urging the reservation by the Government of a small tract of land, now embraced in a Northern Pacific selection, which embraces the intake for the water supply of Oregon City. The Land Office forwarded the request to the Geological Survey, with recommendation that the land be included in a water power withdrawal,

F. N. Pendleton.

Close Daily at 6 P. M.

BURLESON IS REAPPOINTED

eral's Renomination Necessary. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 .- President

Wilson today sent to the Senate OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash- renomination of Postmaster-General

PACKERS TO MEET UNIONS Effort Will Be Made to Settle In-

30-Day Law Makes Postmaster-Gendustrial Questions. WASHINGTON, Jan. 24 .- A joint conference of the five big packers and repbe held tomorrow in the office of Secretary Wilson in an effort to reach a basis of discussion for settlement of industrial quetsions which have threatened a strike in the packing plants. Both sides announced that they had ocepted the Secretary's invitation to the conference, but the packers said they were going to meet the union representatives as individuals and not as

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