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JUST TERMS

P. Firm: Don't Make Dis-Peace!" Cry as Leon Trotzky roceeds to Brest-Litovsk

KRAINE INDEPENDENT N NEW NEGOTIATIONS

Petrograd Gloomiest in 300 Years Food Short: Crime Appalling

PETROGRAD, Tuesday, Jan. 8. he Russian peace delegates passalong the way to renew the negowith the Germans the Rustoysk urged upon Trotski, wiki foreign minister: ."Be on't make a dishonorable

satch detailing this and other tant facts, was received at y, the Bolsheviki headquarters afternoon. Trotzky replication. "We did not overthrow to bow to German imperial-

utral Place Wanted. tenor of the dispatch indicatthe Russians would continue on the transfer of the neutral state in ormore publicity, which the ler extremely import-

telegraph the comments an press, among others Frankfurter Zeitung. in an editorial declares that

delegates of Ukraine conferat Brest-Litovsk with delegates and reached at whereby the Russian rities consent to consider Ukra-independent factor in making as its leaders deem adh the Germans. , legates in Session.

RDAM, Jan. 9 .- The leaddelegations representing d the central powers held a y discussion yesterday, disof questions of procedure, a a from Brest-Litovsk reports. setting was attended by Leon by Bolsheviki forenge minis-Ir. von Kuchlmann, German for-Count Czernin, Austro foreign minister, and t Bey, Turkish grand vizier. A ision of the delegates was d for this morning. Petrograd Is Gloomy.

NDON, Jan. 9 .- The situation strograd is depicted in the most colors by the correspondent the Times, who in a statement Monday, the Russian Christays that no Christmas in 300 s has been colebrated with such ustances. Petrograd, he is full of dirt, disorder and

surglary, robbery and murder in most audacious forms prevail to a extent bitherto unknown and which to appeal.

Pood Scarcity Appalling. as food situation is very critical. says, and starvation apears to be (Continued on page 6.)

FRENCH TAKE **HUN PRISONERS**

nemy Seeks Place in British Advance Post But Is -Driven Out

(WAR SUMMARY) est of the bajor battle fronts. nevertheless heavy artillery proceeding and at severa ats infantry attacks of small arations have been carried out. The Germans in one of these mavers which apparently was more the nature of a raid than an atritish advanced posts north of the es-Staden ratiway, but later were reed out hy a counter-attack. On the famous St. Mihiel salient southharp wedge in the battle line since early days of the war. French on have raided German positions on a mile front, destroying the poons and returned to their own chine guns. The German war ofadmits the French success in ding German positions but says French were ejected from them counter-attack.

the Italian front a heavy snow alling and aside from intensive ery duels from the Asiago plato the Piave river and small fol encounters there has been no ling worthy of mention. British Hading vessels subs.

Legislation Drafted and Assurance Given It Will Be Passed

STRICT POLICY ADOPTED

Of Vast Number of Interned FIERCE FIGHT NEAR Germans But Six Have Been Released

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 .- Enemy

alien restrictions probably will be extended soon to German women in the United States. Legislation to this end is being drafted and con gressional leaders have assured the department of justice that it will be enacted promptly. If this is done before the week of February 4 when a nation-wide registration of unnaturalized Germans is to be made under supervision of the department of justice, women probably will be included in the cnemy alien cencus. Regulations to govern the registration were sento today to police officials of cities and postmasters of small towns, to whom administration of the registration has been entrusted. The rules differ from those already made public only in the fact that federal court districts, not county or local court districts, are to be considered units for gathering census returns from non-urban sections in which postmasters will take the registrations.

Few Germans Released, Of the hundreds of Germans who have been interned since the United States entered the war, only six have been paroled permanently, and ten given freedom for a time, it was disclosed today by John Lord should onthesitate to move O'Brien, special assistant to Attorney General Gregory, in charge of of place was no rock on war problems. The agnouncement majority of the Republicans in the reak off this most import- was made in refutation of widespread reports that the government had released hundreds of dengerous alien enemies.

In the cases of men paroled terr porarily it is understood the action was taken in order that they might obtain valuable information to aid government agents in ferreting out plots or propagands against the United States war interests.

"So far as known no person found he a dangerous enemy allen once arrested has ever been permanent!" released." said Mr. O'Brien. the entire number arrested as suspicious characters; less than a dozen have ever been the subject of subsequent complaints.

Rigorous Severify Is Policy. A number of communications re ceived directing the attention of the attorney general to the fact that unfounded and false reports are be ing circulated in some parts of the country to the effect that undue leniency is being shown enemy aliens. Such reports are a direct incitment to damage on the part of wrong-doers and cause serious hindrance in the work of apprehending allen, enemies,

"Instead, of lenlency rigorous severity has been shown in dealing with persons actually found by the attorney general to be dangerous to the welfare of the country. Confuthe impression that an arrest is in tself an internment; this is not so. Under the president's proclamation, the department is authorized to an prehend and intern enemy aliens found to be dangerous or a menace to the safety of the country.

"If, after investigation, it is decided that the suspect is a dangerous enemy alien, an order is made for his internment and he is transferred to a war detention camp. Allens thus arrested on suspicion and not found to be dangerous are customarily released on parole, required to give a bond for good conduct and weport at short intervals to a person satisfactory to the department known as a supervisor."

British Sinkings Increase: 25 Ships Sunh in Past Week

LONDON, Jan. A .- The British admiralty reports the sinking in the past week of eighteen merchantmen of 1600 tons or over by mine or submarine, as well as three merchantmen under that tonnage, Four fishing vessels also were supk.

The admirality reports of January 2 gave the sinkings of British merchantmen for the current week as twenty-one, eighteen vessels of 1600 fons or over. This was a mat of Verdun, which has inscribed twelve, eleven of the vessels more than 1600 topy Thus the increase in the submarine sinkings has been more than maintained in the past week, as they comprised twenty-one merchantmen and four fishing ves-

The admiralty statement sfollows: Arrivals, 2085; sailings, 2244. British merchantmen of over 1600 ons sunk by mine or submarine, neluding two previously, eighteen; under 1600 tons, including one pre-

British merchantmen unsuccess ully attacked, including two previously, eleven, British fishing vessels sunk, four.

WILSON

Democratic Members Prevail Upon Chief Executive for Advice on Eve of Vote on Amendment in House

ON NATIONAL ISSUE

Champions of Cause, at First Expecting Defeat, Now Claim Victory

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 .- President Wilson tonight threw his sup-port to the federal amendment for to get to work and could see no need woman suffrage.

members called at the White House with word that many of their colleagues wanted advice from the tion they should take. There was a Eli Davidson and L. C. Russell, the conference of forty minutes, the resuit of which was described in this statement, dictated by the presidehimself and made public by the del-

"The committee found that the president had not felt at liberty to volunteer his advice to members of congress in this important matter. but when we sought his advice, he very frankly and earnestly advised us to vote for the amendment as an act of right and justice to the womon of the country ando fthe world." Champions See Victory.

In these few lines suffrage champions saw certain victory where a few days ago most of them privately were conceding defeat. A large house have been counted upon to Democrats are committed to assure a close vote. With the weight of the president's influence to swing doubter, chairman of the suffrage committee, jubilantly predicted today that necessary two-third would be exceeded by fifteen or twenty votes.

Opponents of suffrage were clainfing a safe margin against the amendment during the day in spite of intimations from the suffragists that trump card yet was to be played. There were no formal predictions from the opponents tonight, but a tremendous fight is promised.

All of the members who went to the White House were Democrats and most of them supporters of the amendment, but there were several uncommitted. In the delegation were Representatives Raker, Callfornia; Taylor, Colorado; Barkley and Cantrill, Kentucky: Havden, Arizona: Gregg and Jones, Texas: Ayres, Kansas; Caraway, Arkansas; Mayes. Utah; Linthicum, Maryland, and Brumbaugh, Ohio.

President's Advice to Guide, After Mr. Raker had explained the bject of the call each member told the president of the situation in his state. One said the president's advice would aid them in determining question and that many other members were similarly situated,

The president is said to have replied that while he had felt it w not proper to send for members or to volunteer his advice, he was glad of the opportunity that the visit of the delegation twe him. He ind!cated that he had not felt at liberty to go beyond the party platform which had declared woman suffrage to be a state issue, until changed conditions made it necessary,

Representative Taylor spoke of the king of Belgium's advocacy of woman suffrage, of how England was pledged to it and probably France. The president said the gov. ernor general of Canada, who had luncheon with him today, told him Canada was going to have woman

-Any member of congress opposed to woman suffrage under any circumstances, the president said, ought not to vote other than his convictions, but his own opinion was that this was the time to vote for the amendment.

While the president was talking one of the members made a note of what he said. The president took a pencil and said he would put it in writing himself, and the statement later was dictated to a White House

The house begins debate tomorrown on the Raker resolution for submission of the Susan B. Anthony constitutional amendment states, under an agreement to end general debate at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. A vote probably will be reached early in the evening.

Republicans Give Aproval. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 .- Republicans of the house in conference late tonight adopted by unanimous vote a resolution urging Republican members to suport the federal suffrage amendment "insofar as they can do so consistently with their conscience and the attitude of their con-

The resolution introduced by Rep. (Continued on Page 6)

Cities and Towns of County Are Getting Into Line for Big Drive

LEADERS READY SALEM

Teams Are to Be Perfected at ATTITUDE TOWARD Big Noon Luncheon on · Saturday

The first gun of the campaign for Armenian-Syrian relief in Marion county will be fired in the live wire burg of Marion tomorrow night. When Manager Cill reached Mar-

ion yesterday and told his story to the committee of Marion citizens of waiting until next week to begin. On the eve of a vote on suffrage When asked whom they wanted to in the house twelve Democratic tell them the story of that suffering country they chose Rev. Carl A. El-liott of Salem. Mr. Elliott, readily consented to go. Under the leaderhead of their party as to the posi- ship of hustlers like Harry Colgan, oe remembered.

Other Towns Ready. to them by Manager Gill and a mass meeting will take place there Sunday night. Mr. Gill will deliver the address and organize the workers for killed or wounded, a thorough canvass.

Jefferson willingly responded to duct its own campaign without outassistance. · Representative men of that city assured Manager Gill the work would be done and done right.

without fail. Responsible men have given their work that arrangements will be made and the local committee notified as to dates soon. Turner and Woodburn in Line

Turner will turn out Wednesday night of next week to hear the stor suffering Armenia, Mayor H W. Earl and a corps of able assist ants are behind the movement there and determined to win.

At Woodburn Sunday night next W. D. Wheelwribht of Portland will deliver the Armenian message. corps of the leading citizens imbue: with much enthusiasm are behind the movement in Woodburn ar promise a consistent response from that, enterprising community. Salem Is Organized.

Every day now sees greater and greater promise for the success of the pending drive for funds to relieve suffering in Armenja and Syria. Three of Salem's most successful campaigners, W. M. Hamilton, Prof. John W. Todd and Fred B. Thielsen, quickly consented to act as colonels and each has chosen his six captains for the well planned canvass of the city which will be in force next Monday morning, following the Sunday night mass meet-

ing in the armory.

A grand rally of Salem's home guard hustlers will take place at the (Continued on Page 6)

U-BOAT SINKS HOSPITAL SHIP

Over 500 Persons on Board Are Rescued Three Killed by Explosion

BRISTOL, England, Jan. 9 .- The hospital ship Rewa was torpedoed without warning an hour before in an hour. According to custom, the vessel was lighted up after dark States. Friday evening, so that there could o no possibility of submarines mis-

torpedo struck, the vessel fective that there was no chance of in the forefront of the imperalistic that the paper makers now can dic- crowded to the doors, and spilled saving her. There were 550 persaims and the parties which still may withholding supplies. riden and a number of soldiers suf. a lasting peace without annexations. fering from malaria.

The lights on the hospital ship were put out by the force of the explosion and the wounded and sick had to grope about in the dark for their clothing.

Many of them were unsuccessful in their quest and had to leavy the ship without clothing. While in the boats and on rafts they had little or no portection from the piercing cold

All the patients, the ship's staff and the members of the crew, with the exception of three Lascars who were killed by the explosion, were safely rescued from the boats and They had hardly left the Rewa which as sinking on even keel when the steamer suddenly plunged forward and disappeared. The rescued men were two hours adrift before they were picked up.

WAR AIMS OF WIDE FAVOR

Labor Party of Great Britain **Gives Prompt Endorsement** and Liberals Welcome President's Message

RUSSIA IS POPULAR

France in Early Comment Is Grateful for View on Alsace-Lorraine

LONDON, Jan. 9 .- Where other sources had falled, the British labor unions have succeeded in obtaining statement of allied war alms, Two that it remains for their opponents sixty-five years. people of Marion and the surrounding community will hear and heed handicapped in the eyes of the world the call for help in a way that will by a charge of political cowardice mus to Oregon in 1853, settling in or dishonesty.

The British workingmen asked

Stayton readily responded yester- their prime minister to tell the namenhood is suffering week in and week out a daily toll of casualties exceeding more than 1000 men

Premier Lloyd George with a statement which fulfilled all the call but feels amply able to con- their expectations in oint of clearness and detail. President Wilson has seconded the British premier with an exposition of American war aims which, it is asserted, leaves one right.

The date for a mass meeting in of vagueness and coupled with it a ublimity, though not yet defintely a challenge to the continental powchallenge to the contin ers to make an equally piain reply. Liberals Welcome Message.

The president's message is regarded here as a heavy and perhaps decisive reinforcement in "the diplomatic offensive" -- a form of warfare which many publicists have been asking for as secondary only by a small measure in importance to the warfare of arms. The Liberals of Greta Britain have welcomed it with almost whole-hearted approval as a platform to which they can subscribe, while the Conservatives naturally find ground for some dissent in details to the president's program for making the world safe for de-

mocracy. The Lobor party today gave prompt endorsement to the president's portrayal of the American war aims without reservations.

The editorials in the Liberal pa pers and interviews with Liberal. Labor and Socialistic public men were of the same tenor. One Clause Not Understood.

The only general note of skeptlism and dissent was caused by President Wilson's proposal for "fred-The people of dom of the seas." the one nation of the world whose power and safety rests almost wholly on her sea strength are not pre pared to give away one of the strong est weapons in her armory without knowing exactly what they would lose or gain by doing so.

The old system of blockade practiced by America in the Civil war and the seizure of private property at sea has been one of the strongest war assets since the days of Napoleonic wars. The Liberal popers say that this could not be abandoned except under a system of a league of nations which would prevent wars, and few persons here are yet convinced that league of nations plan is really a practical possibility.

The one point in the president's address which the Liberals approve with the greatest enthusiasm is the president's sympathetic attitude toward Russia. Apparently the generaly belief here is that the Bolshevmidnight January 4, and sank with- people than the Industrial Workers of the World represent the United

German Political Strife Noted. All eyes are now turned towards acute political strife between the Some of the papers say that the Germans are only "shaming dead" and that their success in arms have rekindled their old ambition for the domination of Europe. The question is being asked everywhere: "Will the the result of which no one can forcensorship permit all the German peopl too read President Wilson's message?"

It is not expected, or hoped, that in the present chaos of Russia the president's words can reach the ears of all the Russian people.

The joint labor congress has de cided to recommend that the Labor and Socialist parties of the allied nations, including the United States. convens at a further conference for the consideration of the allied war to rush the measures through the aims. It is suggested that the censenate. Senator Smith of Arizona, ference be held in London February in charge of the resolution, agreed

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DR. MEREDITH AGED DENTIST DIES, AGED 86

Veteran Practitioner Had Lived in Oregon for Sixty-five Years

EVENTFULL LIFE

Journey Westward Was By Way of Isthmus of Panama in 1853

Dr. John Wesley Meredith, a resident and practising dentist in Salem for half a century, died last night at abut 6 o'clock at his home, 248 South Church street. He was 86 years old and had been ill for about

Dr. Meredith lived in the same block in which he died and within fifty feet of the same house for fiftyof the leading powers of the entente three years. He was a practising alliance in the world war have physician for forty-six years in the placed their cards on the table face member of the First Methodist up, and in this country it is thought church, and had lived in the state for

southern Oregon. It was in Josephine county and in a mining district. He lived also at Spring Hill, day when the subject was presented tion precisely for what objects its near Albany. He married there, Oct-Lived at Navy Yard. Later, Mr. Meredith went to the

Mare Island navy yard and worked there until his return to Oregon. He was an unassuming man and during his entire residence only held one public office and that was as city al-

in his early years n Salem the ploneer was in the transfer business. fice was in the Murphy block, corner of State and Commercial streets. He remained there until retiring four

His wife died in Salem, May, 24, Yakima, Wash., former secretary of the Oregon state fair board and Mrs. E. B. Lockhart, wife of Rev. E. B. Lockhart of Portland.

Masons to Read Ritual. The funeral announcements will be made later, the arangements being in charge of Webb & Clough. The burial will be in Odd Fellows Rev. Richard N. Avison will conduct the services and a ritual will be held under the auspices of the Masonie lodge.

PAPER CONTROL

Senator Moot Attacks Resolution as Vicious Weapon For President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Debate on the joint resolution authorizing the president to have the federal trade commission to take control of the print paper industry continued throughout today in the senate with but few senators in their seats. A final vote probably will not be reached for several days as many speeches are yet to be made.

Attacks on the resolution made during the day by Senators Hardwick, Smoot Sherman and King. Senator Smoot characterized it "as a most victous measure," and declared that under its provisions the president would be able to withold print paper from any newspaper or mag-azine he desired. He also asserted the resolution was introduced at the iki no more represent the Russian request of publishers in an effort to below those agreed upon by the manufacturers and the government.

The measure was vigorously de fended by Senator wen who said such The newpsapers tell of a step was necessary to break the power held by the alleged paper monoply over the press. He charged

world is the effort to suppress the press," the Oklahoma seantor said. This was one of the means used by Germany to maintain a monarchy by Dan Langenberg and orchestra, and autocracy. If we allow this to and William McGilchrist led a choroccur we will let a condition arise,

Senator Wadsworth asked if by placing control of print paper with to the platform accompanied by the the government a similar danger would not result in the United

can clothe our government with power without fear, because the pec ple control this government.' Senator Gallinger, the Republican leader, urged that on effort be made to give adequate time for discussion before bringing it to a final vote.

Thousands in City Auditoriums Silent as Battle-Scarred Officers Recite Catastrophe Forced Upon World

AMERICA MUST SAVE FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE

"Neglect Nothing That Will Help Win This War" Captain Gook

Harrowing accounts of German atrocity and pathetic incidents of bravery and sacrifice were told, inspiring pleas for greater sacrifice by those who remain at home were made by the three Canadian arms officers who came to Salem day to address the people of t and surrounding country on the MacMillan, Captain E. J. Gook an Major B. K. Edwards,

Three of the largest in the city, the armory, the Fir Methodist church and the Grand O era house, falled to ac the throngs who were easi the stories of the se on it be who presided, announced overflow meeting for the p dresses would be held at the P

the armory. Yet hundreds turned away. But last night the operawas the only place where all the due to the necessary hasty arrang ments Captain Gook was not tenant-colonel MacMillan's vol falled him so he was unable to appear at the church. C. W. Niemeyor of Salem was substituted and was

called upon for three seperate ad-

dresses in the one place. Dr. R. Avison spoke briefly and Dr. F. Chace filled an interval of music While speaking at the church Cantain Gook was interrupted by a local citizen who asked if it were true that the Germans made a p tice of cutting off the hands of gian girls. The captain replied that he would not say they made a prac-tice of it but told of harrowing in-stances in which it had been done. He mentioned the case of a Belgia girl who is now with an Englis family at Lavington, Salisbury plain England, where British troops quartered. During the invasio Belgium the population was be maltreated by the German sold This girl was in the act of glass of water to a soldier. Insta of taking the water the Hun hack off her forearm with his sw to official literature to gain a tho ough idea of the atrocities of th

Germans. The captain complimented th women of Willamette char American Red Cross, for their work in knitting needed articles for the

nen at the front. The captain will speak at the high school and perhaps at one other school before he leaves the city

Halls Filled at Early Hour crowd of people so eager to hear th some futreher details of their er periences that the armory was 7 o'clock, so it was arranged to hole "One of the greatest evils in the three meetings at one and the sam

> Before the main meeting open in thearmory music was furni

A few minutes after 8 o'cle when Bruce Dennis, director of the three officers, and introduced the first to Governor awalting to greet them, the vast an dience rose as if one spirit moved it and broke out into a tremendou ovation. It was some time before Mr. Dennis could a make himself

He explained that the officers has been loaned to Oregon while on a furlough from their home govern

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