PRICE FIVE CENTS

COAL FAMINE SHUTS DOWN **BIG PLANTS**

South Chicago Furnaces Closed and Big Packers Stop Operations; Railroads Threatened With Tie-Up

NEW STORM EXPECTED TO COME OVER CITY

Limited Priority Orders on Coal and Food For New York Issued

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—Chicago, just recovering from the most severe b#zzard in fifty years, was teday gripped by a coal famine that closed down the blast furnaces of South Chicago, shut up the world's greatest another tie-up of the railways.

The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. he cancelled to conserve fuel. The outbreak of the war. Armour and Swift packing pants

coal and cattle could be moved. Meanwhile, the weather bureau is- paredness for war. a warning that another heavy milk, food and scanty supplies of

valley with increased intensity and nging with it a heavy fall of snow the greater portions of Illinois

B. L. Mitchell, director of traffic of the Union Pacific, said that rerts showed that all trains eastind into Omaha, Neb., were practally on time. He added that the nowfalls in Kansas and Nebraska re welcomed by the people of those states as forecasting large crops of winter wheat.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. Inter ference iwth railroad transportation the blizzard, led Director General McAdeo tonight to establish limited priority orders on coal and for for New York and vicinity, giving the first instructions of the kind since he recently cancelled all formal priority. For the middle west, where most freight and passenger traffic was still held up by frigid weather and deep snow, Mr. McAdoo issued no priority orders, but railroad mangements received instructions to move coal and food ahead of all other-shipments and to do their otmost to clear the snow.

Action on the New York situation was taken on advice of A. H. Smith, ssistant director in charge of eastern lines, who reported that 118 ships were held in New York harbor awaiting bunker coal and that transatlantic freight movements were suffering to that extent.

As soon as normal weather is restored, the priority order will be withdrawn. Mr. McAdoo expressed the hope that "it will not materially affect industrial activity."

As a result of the almost complete tieup of traffic in the middle west, a meltitude of requests for priority for sany commodities poured in upon the railroad administration today. but all were refused until Mr. Smita telegraphed his urgent recommendations for the New York situation. Officials explained that the trans-portation situation can best be eared up by letting railroads move that they can of the whole bulk of reight accumulation. When normal nditions are restored, a flexible rogram of preferences may be es-

ablished, it is said. "Freight moving week" opened tomy under rather inauspicous ciramstances with drayage and udading facilities at terminals occuled with other tasks made necesary by the storm, but the rising imperatures over the country gave fficials hope that the latter days of week would be open for a great

treight clearance movement. festern official, to whom Mr. Mefor to clear up storm-bound freight ly before 5 o'clock?

western railroads, reported: d in Chicago and in a radhus of 'All employes stuck to their jobs but fainted just before the trap was keep transportation moving as sprung. ing as it was humanly possible to Every available man was em-

CONGRESSMAN WHO ENLISTED IN ARMY, DEAD

Major August P. Gardner Victim of Pneumonia at Camp Wheeler

U. S. PRINCIPLES UPHELD

Preparedness Early Championed by First Congressional Volunteer

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. Major Augusta P. Gardner, former congressman from Massachusetts, died late today at the Camp Wheeler base hospital at Macon, Ga., after a short illness of pneumonia. Major Gardner was the first congressman to resign his office and join the army after war was declared.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 .- News of Major Augustus P. Gardner's death at Camp Wheeler was received with sorrow in the capital, not only in two packing plants and threatened congressional and official circles, but among citizens generally whose admiration he won when, though a aul issued orders to division super- as a propagation of the satisfiant in session here to Gener- made their home with Mrs. Cooper's as a preparedness champion in con-

During all the 15 years he was a closed and put every employe to work member of the nouse, major Gardclearing the tracks of snow so that rules, restrictive immigration to uphold American standards and -pre-

Born at Boston on November 4 sale is sweeping toward the city, 1865, Major Gardner graduated at eaving in its wake snow-covered Harvard in 1886 and later attended states throughout the southwest. The the Harvard law school for two moderation of the zero weather to- years, though he never practiced permitted citizens and 60,000 law. Then he went into business iren who had been released from looking after the large estates of his ol for the week partially to clear family, and 1896, launched into state the streets and permit delivery of politics, a year later becoming a member of the Republican state committee. During the Spanish-Ameri-The new storm which is expected can war, with a rank of captain, he to reach Chicago in the next 24 served as assistant adjutant general sours, was central today over East- at Camp Thomas at Chickamauga ern Texas and was moving north-eastward across the lower Mississip-breveted major for gallantry under

Kaiser No Longer Has Degreee at Philadelphia

PHILADELPHie, Jan. 14.- The board of trustees of the University of Pennsylvania today unanimously adopted a resolution striking the names of Emperor William of Germany and Count Johanne von Bernstorff former German ampassador to the United States from the list of those holding ohnorary degress in the university.

Relieef To Be Asked For

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.-The cen ral committee for the relief of Jews suffering through the war, 51 Chembers street, New York, has designated the week beginning Sunday, January 27, 1918, and ending February 2, 1918, as mercy week in honor of the second anniversary of proclamation day, which on January 27, 1916 was named by President Wilson.

Governor After Stewards' Club, Portland Concern

Announcement was made at the office of Governor Withycombe yesterday that the governor will take action against the Stewards' club of Portland and attempt to have it dissolved on the charge that it has been violating the gaming laws of the state. The governor asked Attorney General Brown for an opinion relative to the official steps necessary to institute action against the club. The opinion was received by the governor Saturday and his action will be accordingly.

TWO NEGROES ARE EXECUTED

Men Convicted at Butte of Murder Calm as Hour of Death Approaches

BUTTE, ont., Jan. 14.- Frank Fisher and John O'Neill, white, and R. H. Aishton, a Chicago & North-Sherman Powell, colored, convicted estern official, to whom Mr. Me- or murder, were hanged together in don had telegraphed to use every the jail yard here this morning short-

Fisher and O'Neil were calm, the Greatest difficulty was experienc- former smoking a cigarette from the death cell and upon the scaffold u.tthe storm created a condition that He made no statement. however, not been equaled in history in O'Nell bade the spectators good u.e. In territory for over twenty years. Powell told those about his fareweil,

The streets about the jail yard were packed with persons seeking adployed in the moving of snow and militance, and were guraded by depert good progress was made yesterday and last night."

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GREETED STOCK MEN

National Association in Session at Salt Lake City Promises It Will Back All Efforts to Win War.

COUNTRY TO BE ASKED Successor To Be Elected by TROTZKY CALLS HUN FOR PORKLESS DAYS

Only Fair Profit to be Requested of Government by Stock Industry

American National Livestock association and the livestock producers cerof the United States represented by it are patriotically back of the government and its military forces to the end that the great world war

may be won for liberty and justice. This, in brief, is the message sent today from the twenty-first annual convention of the National Livestock intendents that every possible train gress and joined the army at the American expeditionary forces al John J. Pershing, commander of sister, Mrs. George Beaty. now in France. The telegram reads:

"Annual convention American National Livestock association send boys in France. We stand back of you in winning the war"

Patriotism Is Keynote, Patriotism was the predominant chord in the proceedings of the consession. President I. T. Pryor sounded the tocsin of patriotic co-operation between the livestock men and the government in his annual adlivestock men as producers of that fall of 1916. essential food product, meat, asks

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CHIEF COOPER PASSED AWAY EARLY MONDAY

Police Officer Loses Struggle of Many Days Against Pneumonia

RELATIVES ARE CALLED

Council at Meeting in Near Future

Chief of Police E. E. Cooper died in Salem early yesterday morning at his late residence, 208 Richmond street, only a few hours after Police Captain C. E. Baty died in Portland. Chief Cooper was 51 years old and SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 14.-The Captain Batey was 52. Both men well known Oregon police offi-

For the past week, Chief Cooper has fought for his life on a sick bed. He was taken ill with pneumonia. January 4. Late last week, high hopes were held for his recovery but he succombed to the illness ye terday at 3:45 o'cloc 1/4. Fro the last two months, the Coopers have

Kansas, March 25, 1867. He camo to Oregon with his parents when 4 years old, The family settled in greetings to you and our Polk county, just across the river there. He was married 18 years ago to Miss Lily Buck.

Chief Cooper lived in Salem for thirty years. He served as deputy yention and was the keynote of every sheriff for Marion county for eight address delivered before the opening years under John Knight and Frank Wrightman. He was constable in Justice Webster's court for fouyears. For the past year and over he has acted as Salem's police chief. dress when he declared that the He was elected to his duties in the

Besides his widow, Mr. Cooper nothing from the government but a leaves two sisters and two brothers. fair profit upon their product and They are Miss Cora Cooper of Stay-(Continued on page 5)

WARSAW BE PLACE OF PEACE MEET

Armstice is Extended to February 18 Although Possibility for Final Break in Negotiations Rumored

PHRASE 'DECORATIVE

Internal Strife Continues in Russia—Bolsheviki Troops Successful

(ASSOCIATED PRESS SUMMARY) Although there is still talk in unofficial quarters of the possibility of a final break in the peace negotiations between the central powers and the Bolsheviki, the armistice evidently has been extended to February 18 and it is reported that the pourparlers will be transferred from Brest-Litovsk to Warsaw.

Late advices indicate that there was considerable haggling between the opposing delegates at Brest-Litovsk over territorial questions and the fixing of a clause in the protreaty announcing peace. Trotzky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, proved recalcitrant with refrom Salem. He passed his boyhood gard to the Cerman formula "that the contracting parties have resolved henceforth to live in peace and friendship," declared that it was "a decorative phrase" and did not describe what the future relations between the Russian and German peoples would be.

Bolsheviki Troops Successful. Internal strife continues in various parts of Russia. Bolsheviki troops are reported to have cleared General Kaledines' Cossacks from the Don river basin and to have captured Eksterinoslav. Following previous reports of a mutiny of sailors (Continued on page 2)

BRITISH AIRMEN IN BOMB RAID ON KARLSRUHE

One and Quarter Ton of Explosives Dropped in Broad Daylight

FACTORY FIRE STARTED

Effective Machine Gun Fire Is Carried Out From Low Altitude

LONDON, Jan 14 .- A successful daylight air raid has been made on Karlsruhe, according to a British official communication issued tonight.

Karlsruhe, which is the capital of the Grand Duchy of Baden, several times has received visitations from allied airmen. It is situated about fifty miles from the French border Bod-Ed, the former German milits and has a population of between attache, and believed to have be 75,000 and 1000,000.

The text of the statement says: "Today our squadrons carried out most successful raid into Germany in broad daylight, their objectives being the railway station and muni-tions factories at Karlsruhe. One and a guarter tons of bombs were dropped. Bursts were observed on buildings and sidings of the main railway junction in the center of the town, on railway workshops and a smaller junction in the town. "Observers report that a very

large fire was started in factories alongside the railway, which was confirmed by photographs.

"The anti-aircraft fire was very heavy and accurate, and several hos tile machines vaintly attacked our formation. All our airplanes reached their objectives.

"Bombing and attacks with machine gunfire from low altitudes were carried out incessantly. More than 400 bombs were dropped on a large ammunition dump near Roulers and on hostile billets, hutments ditional evidence could be gathered the enemy engaged in extinguishing Officers followed him night and day the enemy engaged in extinguishing a large fire attacked by machine gun fire was scattered and the fire was left to run at will. "In combats seven hostile ma-

chines were driven down out of control. Another was forced to land ntact behind our lines by anti-air craft fire; the pilot was captured. Three of our machines are missing. "During Sunday night our night flying machines dropped bombs on Roulers and Menin." All returned

SENT ABROAD LIEUTENANT IS **GIVEN SENTENCE**

First Convicted Officer at Camp Lewis Found Guilty of Desertion

CAMP LEWIS., Tacoma Jan. 14 -Found guilty of deserting from the Inited States army while on duty on the Mexican border last year, Lieutenant Joseph W. Conroy was today sentenced to serve two and a half years in a government disciplinary barracks and to be dishonorably discharged at the end of his term. The sentence of the courtmartial was for six years but was reduced by Brigadier General Foltz. Lieutenant Conroy is the first commissioned officer to be tried and sentenced at Camp Lewis. He was not serving as an officed when arrested but was working as a civilian for the contracting company that built the cantonment.

Brigadier General Foltz this after noon requested all newspapers correspandents to discontinue use of the word "Sammies" in referring to American soldiers in news stories emanating from Camp Lewis.

No reason for the order was givan, but it is understood that all army officials are discouraging the use of the word because it is not pleasing to the soldiers themselves,

IN RAIL WRECK

Bodies of Fifteen Victims Sent to Bottom-Four **Privates Killed**

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 14.-Bod ies of the 15 of the 16 victims of track, about the least of the season. the wreck today of a Houston and Mr. Gregory now has on hands Texas Central railroad passenger sixty tons of apples which will keep train near Hammond station, were brough here late tonight. The body

Seven of the more seriously injur-

IS ARRES

Walter Spoerman Taken by Officer While Attempting To Blow Up Magazine in **Army Aviation Field**

PRISONER ONCE POSED **AS U. S. ARMY CAPTAIN**

German Military Uniform Found in Apartment-Brother Held, Too

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 14 .- Naval intelligence officers left here tonigl for Baltimore with Walter Spoen mann, suspected of being an active figure in plots launched by Captain Bod-Ed, the former German military a captain in the German army. cording to thestory unofficially to here, the man was arrested Satus day while in the act of attempt to blow up a magazine in the u finished army aviation field under construction enar Newport News. The prisoner will be turned ov

to the officers of the department justice at Balitomer for a hearing So far the only charge formally los ed against him is understood to be that he is a dangerous enemy aller Connection with Bernstorff Reveal Documents found in his poss however, are declared to reveal h connection with Boy-Ed and form German Ambassador Bernstorff a to incriminate in a spy plot permit in Washington, Baltimore and ot cities. Details of the contents of documents are withheld, but it understood that they will lead to

number of arrests within a few day Spoermann's activities are said have attracted attntion of naval l tilligence officers many weeks a however, teh quest leading thr several cities and even to at le two army camps. Frequently, cording to the story, the pris posed as an officer of the Un States army. Finally, he visited th great army and navy base on Ham pton Roads, but before that a youn naval agent, posing as a frie Germany, had made himself quainted with Spoermann. The o ficer followed his man closely Newport News and finally to the a ation field, four miles north of the

city, where the arrest was made. Work Begun Before Wari Documents found on the pris and in his rooms at Baltimore at alleged to show the Spoermann b gan his work in this country some time before the United States eni ered the war. In one letter from Boy-Ed there is said to have bee a reference to \$90,000 advance

Spoermann by the chief of the Ger man spy system in the United States There are reports that it has be established that Spoermann came the United States on the German su marine U-53 which visited R. I., more than a year age and later sank a number of merchant ship off the coast.

An account of the chase and a rest of Spoermann, omitting fa and names which might prove injurions to further government inves gation was told by an officer of th bureau of navy intelligence. whose charge Spoermann tonis left for Washington. He declare that attention was first attracted to the prisoner in Baltimore by reaso of his wearing the uniform of a ca tain in the United States army, Sa isfied that the man was a spy, he was allowed free seigh. Visits to Cam Meade, Md., to Washington and No York were noted. When he di peared from Baltimore last we his quarters were located. The ur form of a lieutenant in the Germ army and evidence that leads to th belief that he came to this country on the U-53 were discovered.

Spoermann Answers Description, Nothing was heard of Spoerman until one day last week when a re port was received that a man at swering his description was unde arrest at Newport News charge with attempling to fire an arm magazine in coure of erection there It was Spoermann. The night b fore a man struck a match near th magazine. He was fired on by the auards, but made his escape in t farkness. Spoermann answered for description.

At a secret hearing before th United States commissioner Sp mann admitted striking the mat but denied knowing that a magazir was near. He declared that he was merely hunting a piece of wood from which to make a cane. Asked wh he was trespassing in a barred zon he pleaded ignorance of the law.

Confronted with evidence of 1 visits to Camp Meade and Washin ton and of his associations wit other enemy allens. Speermann sal only that he would rather die than betray a single friend.

Spoermann speaks English fluently with no accent, is well dress

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ARMENIAN-SYRIAN RELIEF WORK IS GIVEN FLYING START IN SALEM

TEAMS FILLED START ROUNDS

Jewish War Sufferers Leaders at Headquarters at Early Hour Ready to Sally Forth '

The big campaign for funds to relieve the starving Armenians and Syrians began in Salem yesterday in

earnest. Promptly at 9 a, m. as scheduled. Colonels Thielsen, Todd and Hamilton reported at headquarters in the Derby building with full quotas of captains and in a very brief time all captains had drawn their precincts and begun to equip themselves and their teams with the necessary

cards, receipts, etc. It was an enthusiastic bunch of luncheon at the Y. M. C. A. for a final parley and instructions before considered very good, about 500 bestarting on the house to house cam- ing present. paign which began immediately fol-

lowing the luncheon. The following are the colonels and their respective groups

captains: Colonel Fred D. Thielsen-Captains Mrs. W. M. Hamilton, Mrs. Etta S. Seley, Mrs. F. A. Elliott, Miss Mattie Beatty, Mrs. W. E. Anderson.

Mrs. Frank Minto. Colonel John W. Todd-Captains N. C. Kafeury, J. E. Allison, Mrs. evidence that the message went M. B. Parounagian, C. E. Albin, B. E. Carrier, O. L. Ferris. Colonel W. M. Hamilton, Cap-

dore Roth, E. M. Burke, Full Team Reported. Ten of the eighteen captains re ported with full teams as follows: Captain Mrs. W. M. Hamilton, Preceinct 18-Mrs. Chester Cox, Mrs. John Harbison, Mrs. Pollock, Mrs. evplained to a group of Salem peo

airchild, Miss Iverson. Mrs. Frank Spears, Mrs. William Walton, Mrs. C. E. Albin.

Captain N. C. Kafoury, Precinct 11 Woolpert. Laflar, A. T.

Captain J. E. Allison, Precinct 8-A. A. Schram, Ed. Hofnell, A. H. Gille, L. B. Davis, David O'Hara. Captain C. E. Albin, Precinct 9-Mrs. George Vick, Mrs. U. S. Dotson. Mrs. W. A. Cummings, Mrs. Coyne Walton, Mrs. Elsie B. Simeral. Captain C. B. Webb, Precinct 16-

P. E. Fullerton, Joe Graber, F. (Continued on page 5)

M'NAUGHTON IS SPEAKERS ARE **HEARD IN SALEM**

Armenians Impresses His Audience

All colonels, captains and workers in any capacity in connection with the Armenian-Syrian relief drive are urged to be present at noon Juncheon today at the Y. M. C. A. It is for you. it is free. Be there.

*A representative audience of lem people assembled at the auditorium Sunday night to hear Dr. J. P workers that assembled at room McNaughton. Considering the disagreeable weather, the attendance was

Ben Selling came to Salem with the speaking party but owing to the lateness of the hour set for speaking, did not come to the armory; pressing business affairs calling him

back to Portland. Horrors of Persecution Heard. Dr. McNaughton presented the appeal of the starving people of Armenia and Syria in a truly masterful manner and there was abundant straight to the hearts of his auditors. The incidents of massacre, deportation and torture were so incompatitains -C. B. Webb, B. W. Macy, J. ble with anything conceivable to the Baumgartner, C. S. Hamilton, Theo- minds of the Salem public as to make the audience shudder in it anticipations of the horror of it all

In addition to his reference to the thoroughly reliable manner in which the relief work funds are administered in the orient, Dr. McNaughter ple after the address something of Captain Mrs. F. A. Elliott, Precinct the detail as to just how funds an 10-Mrs. Hartley, Mrs. E. M. Burke, supplies are protected. He showed how reliable American commercial agencies operating in that country furnish great assistance in the trans-E. C. Patton. H. L. Stiff, G. W. mission through their represer tives of funds to the proper relief heads, how food is cooked and furnished in quantities only for immediate consumption, and when furnished in the raw state, how the

Man Who Spent Years Among Every Town in County to Hear Message of Armenian Sufferings

Manager Gill made final arrangements for the county campaign at Gervais and Donald yesterday. Following the mass meetings at Silverton, Woodburn, Stayton and Salem last night, the following

schedule is fixed for inaugurating the work in the remaining sections of the county: Scotts Mills-Mass meeting tonight, E. M. Burke of Salem, speak-

Aumsville-Mass meeting evening of January 18, Professor John W Todd of Salem, speaker. Hubbard-Mass meeting evening of January 18, E. M. Burke of Salem,

Turner-Mass meeting tomorrow

night, B. W. Macy of Salem, speaker.

speaker. Clear Lake-Mass meeting evehing of January 20, Oscar B. Ginrich of Salem, speaker,

Mt. Angel-Mass meeting evening of January 21, Rev. J. R. Buck of Salem, speaker, Monitor-Mass meeting evening of January 21, Elmo S. White of Salem;

Aurora-Mass meeting evening of January 22, Louis Lachmund, speak-

Sublimity-Mass meeting evening ev. J. R. Buck, speakers.
St. Paul—Mass meeting evening of of January 22, Manager Gill and Rev. J. R. Buck, speakers. lanuary 23, Rev. J. R. Buck, speak-

Last Apples of Season Are Being Received Here

Manager Gregory of the Commercial Cider works was yesterday very busy unloading a carload of apples at the Hunt Bros. company side quantities are so small as to make his cider works busy until spring. it quite impractical for confiscation. The only difficulty now about getting of the other victim was taken to his He also showed the remarkably ac- more apple in from the country is bome in a nearby town. tive, practical and conscientions that most farmers have already discharacter of the agencies and agents posed of all that are worth using, but ed also were brought here to a hoswho, without exception, are entrust-ed with these responsibilities. there may be a few isolated cases pital. Four soldiers, all privates, where a supply may yet be had.