

KAISER RETURNS FROM BATTLE LINE TO VISIT BERLIN

BERLIN, Dec. 4 (by wireless to London, 3 p. m.)—The French troops in Flanders are reportedly attacking the German line, says the official statement given out today at the war office, which states that these assaults have been repulsed. The statement follows:

"In the western theater of war French attacks against our troops in Flanders were repeatedly repulsed, as they were also in the region north-west of Altkirsch, where the French suffered considerable losses.

"In the eastern theater of war, the enemy's attacks east of the plain of the Mazurian lakes were repulsed with heavy losses to the Russians.

"Our offensive in Poland is taking its normal course.

"His majesty, the emperor, arrived in Berlin last night for a short stay. (Signed.) "Chief of the Army Administration."

COUNCIL TO CONSIDER NEW CHARTER TONIGHT

A special meeting of the city council will be held this evening to decide on presenting the new commission charter before the people at a special election. There is unorganized opposition to the charter election among the "drys" who have a notion that one clause therein attempts to emasculate the laurels they won at the last election. The argument is also advanced that the special election should be called after the regular election, so as not to confuse the people in selecting "good" councilmen.

Most of the councilmen are in favor of placing the charter before the people for a decision. Councilman Medynski is said to oppose the charter upon the grounds the present ancient one meets all needs, if the people live up to it.

Other members of the council favor the charter and the special election, but think changes could be made in its wording that would make it clearer.

COUNCIL TO VOTE ON BOUSSUM'S PAY

The matter of paying Charles Boussum, city fireman injured a month ago when the fire truck crashed into a concrete lamp post at Main and Front streets, bids fair to be a bone of contention at the next meeting of the council. Those who oppose paying Boussum for time in recovering from his injuries are in the minority. Their chief reason for opposing the payment is that Boussum was not supposed to be standing on the side, but on the platform at the rear. Friends of Boussum contend that when the alarm rings, the thing is to find a place, without thinking whether he belong there or not. That Boussum was not killed outright in the accident is a miracle.

Presbyterian Bazaar and Dinner
The Presbyterian ladies hold their Christmas bazaar Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5 in the chapel.

Saturday
Lunch 11 to 2 Price 25c
Chicken Pie Dinner 5 to 8 Price 50c

MENU
Lunch
Vegetable Soup Pickles
Bread Butter Wafers
Pie or Doughnuts
Tea Coffee

Dinner
Hearts of Celery
Chicken Pie Cranberry Jelly
Mashed Potatoes June Peas
Tomato Mayonnaise
Ice Cream Assorted Cake
or
Pie Cheese
Tea Coffee

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WILSON'S BIG SALE OPENS SATURDAY 10 A. M.

Will H. Wilson's big store has been closed all day and will open tomorrow at 10 a. m. for the biggest sale in the history of the store. The sale will include wearing apparel for men, women and children. Wilson advertises: "A little out of the way, but it pays to walk." See page ad today.

Attention S. F. & A. M.
Special communication this evening at 8:00 P. M. Work in the M. M. Degree. All brother Masons welcome.
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RUBE MARQUARD SIGNS TO PLAY WITH FEDERALERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—"Rube" Marquard, one of the New York National league club's trio of leading pitchers, signed a contract today to pitch for the Brooklyn Federal league club, according to an announcement made by President Robert B. Ward of the Brooklyn club, this afternoon.

Mr. Ward stated that Marquard had signed the Brooklyn Federal league contract in triplicate, in addition to making an affidavit that he was a free agent in a baseball sense and had received and accepted for an advance payment under his Federal league contract.

Secretary John P. Foster of the New York National league club, when questioned regarding Marquard's status as a free agent, said that the pitcher was under contract to the New York Giants in a series of three interlocking contracts which covered his playing services for 1915 and 1916, and gave the New York club an option on his services in 1917. Still another contract gave the New York club special rights in regard to Marquard's playing services and was drawn up with the idea of covering any loop holes which might exist in the other contract.

The secretary of the New York club scouted the idea that Marquard could play for any other team than the New York Giants for the next two seasons, and intimated that the case would be taken to court if the Giants' southpaw endeavored to jump to the independent league.

A Strange Woman.
Mme. Winterroth, clairvoyant and palmist, is now giving readings at the Colonial Flats, Riverside. 219

PRISON JOY RIDER THRICE INDICTED

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The Kings county grand jury investigation, which resulted in the dismissal of Thomas F. McCormack as warden of Sing Sing prison, because of favors

shown by him to David A. Sullivan, who is serving a two years' sentence for the part he played in wrecking the Union bank of Brooklyn, virtually ended today, with the finding of three indictments against Sullivan, charging him with grand larceny while at Sing Sing prison.

The alleged offense was committed within the prison walls and consisted of Sullivan's diversion of his own use of payments made on a mortgage which, it is charged, was really the

property of the Union bank.

The district attorney said that he expected to have Sullivan arraigned soon, possibly tomorrow, to plea to the three indictments.

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100 COATS GOING AT HALF PRICE AND LESS

25 new Winter Coats, all good styles and colors, up to \$10 values, this sale, each,	25 Brand New Winter Coats, many styles to choose from, up to \$20 values, this sale, each,	25 exclusive Winter Coats, cut in this season's most up-to-date styles, up to \$30 values, this sale, each,	25 Winter Coats, "La Vogue" styles, beautiful models, up to \$40.00 values, this sale, each,
\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20

One-half Price--The Balance of Our Children's Coats--One-half Price

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Children's Hand Bags, special, each, at.....	59c	New Kimonos, very special, each, at.....	\$1.48
Women's New Hand Bags, \$1.50 values, each.....	\$1.19	Women's Knit Caps, special, each, at.....	69c
New Aprons, 35c values, special, at.....	25c	New Hat Pins, very special, pr.....	39c

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