FRENCH REPEL GERMAN DRIVE ON WEST LINE

Lines Over Distance of 1500 Yards in Artois Region Following Violent Bombardment-Are Driven Back, But Occupy Craters on First Line.

trenches, but they were at once driven about 3000 dead on the field. out after a very spirited fight.

In the Artois district yesterday ters report follows:

their lines by the French fire, ne- river. cording to the official statement. They were successful in occupying All the British attacks were repulsed some craters, however, but from most by counter-attacks. The British were of these they were later expelled.

Dunkirfk Bombarded

ficial report from Dunkirk states that were comparatively slight. two aeroplanes dropped hombs on was forced to the water by a British the dead. machine northeast of Meuport about S o'clock this morning.

Russians Capture Turks

LONDON, Jan. 25 .- Four thousand Sheik Said. Turks, including fifty officers, were "The Turks attacked another Brit from Petrograd to Reuter's Telegram ish left 100 dead." company. The Russians are also said to have captured scores of machine guns and enermous quantities of PLAN DIVISION munitions.

The Reuter dispatch says: "The rout of the Turks in the battle which resulted in them being driven into Erzerum appears from later accounts to have been even more decisive than shown in the dispatches Besides the Ottoman losses in netual battle, the Russians captured during the pursuit fifty officers and 4000 men. They also took scores of machine guns and enormous quantities

of munitions. "The influx of the Turks in Erzerum is expected to decrease the defensive power of the forts."

Gernan Statement

BERLIN, Jan. 25 .- The text of the statement follows:

"Western front: In Flanders our enemy to a lively fire. Patrols which shorter, under certain conditions, are Decertain points penetrated the se; verely damaged treaches of the en-

The tower of Cemplo and the cath 'reads the committee's report. edral of Nienport, which offered excellent observation posts for the cuemy, were destroyed.

"East of Neuville our troops atof the French following some sucresultal mine explosion and captured three machine guns and 100 prisoners. Several enemy counter-attacks against the captured positions weat no farther than a miserable effort. Only a few stout-hearted men left their trenches and they were shot

SOCIALISTS REQUEST

mittee of the national executive case- been addreed during the investiga-President Wilson today to support sien.

TURKS DEFEAT **BRITISH FORCES** MESOPOTAMIA

Germans in Strength Attack French Troops Going to Belief of Kut-el-Amara Repulsed in Six-Hour Battle. Leaving 3000 Dead on Field-Truce Asked and Obtained to Bury Dead-Lose 3000 Previously.

PARIS, Jan. 25 .- The French war BERLIN, Jan. 25 (by wireless to office statement on the progress of Sayville), - The British force going to hostilities given out this afternoon the relief of the troops surrounded by says that last night there was con- Turks at Kut-el-Amara, attacked the tinued artillery activity in the vicinity Turkish position near Menlari on of Nieuport, in Belgium. The results January 21, but were repulsed after of this are described as favorable an engagement lasting six hours, according to an official report issued by German troops at one point pene- the Turkish headquarters staff. The trated the first line of French British, the announcement says, left

The text of the Turkish headquar-

evening German forces attacked the | "Irak front: Engagements continue French lines over a distance of 1500 at the Kut-ei-Amara position. Brityards. The preparatory work con- ish forces coming from Imam Ali sisted of the explosion of a number Gherbi attacked January 21 the of mines, followed by a violent bom- Turkish position near Menlaire, about 35 kilometers (21 miles) east of Kut-The Germans were driven back to el-Amara, on both sides of the Tigris

> "The engagement lasted six hours. repulsed several kilometers to the enstward.

"On the battlefield the Writish left LONDON, Jan. 25 .- A British of about 3000 dead. The Turkish losses

"General Aylmer (commander of Dunkirk about 6 o'clock this sorning, the British forces) asked and obtain-It is added that a German seaplane ed one day's truce in order to bury

> British soldiers taken captives stated the British column had also lost 3000 men in dead and wounded in the preceding engagements near

contared by the Russians in the re- ish detachment advancing to the west Ont battle in the neighborhood of of Korna from Muntefik, which caus-Erzerum, according to a dispatch ed the British to retreat. The Brit-

JURISDICTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Division the federal government and the states with Brown by saying: is proposed by the senate public lands ris bill recently passed by the house. Interstate business in competion with waterpower grants, the substitute provides, would be under control of the intertate commerce commission artillery subjected positions of the control. Fifty-year lease terms, or

"The bill directly recognizes the emy, observed that he had suffered ownership and the right of control in heavy losses. We took a Dew prison - Que states of the use of the waters in ers and captured four mine throwers, the flowing streams of the states,

The bill provides that 50 per een of all revenues received from leases shall be paid to the states in which the plants may be located, and that tacked one of the foremost trenches the remaining 50 per cent must be reclamation projects in arid states.

FOR SEEKING BRIBE

NEW YORK, Jan. 25,-An indict ent charging solicitation of a bribe was returned by the grand jury today against Robert Colgate Wood, former public service commissioner, who resigned recently after testimony in WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.-A com- reference to the alleged bribe, had mittee of the socialist party asked tion into the public service commis-

Representative London's resolution Mr. Wood is accused of having ask- ang. for the calling of a neutral confer- ed a bribe of \$500 from the Union ence to attempt to and the European Switch and Signal company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from House; Military and Chaval company for his loss of livestock was reported from the livestock was reported from the livestoc war. The committee included Repre- vote as a member of the public persentative London, Morris Hillquit of vice commission approving a contract forces of men are being employed to Rivers and harburs committee New York and J. H. Maurer of Read-with that commercian with repair and strengthen the dikes heard Representative Summers on ammunition, as well as a number of was \$3,758,558, an increase over the and a sculptured altur in the baroque subway construction.

A remarkable photograph showing the tragedy of Serbia. The pathetic figure scated on the ex-cart is Peter, king of Serbin, snapped as he fled before the invading Germans into exile in Italy. The ox-cart, used as a royal coach, had been in use as an ammunition wagon in the Serbian army,

SHOOTING MOHR

"Yes, I did it. We've done the trick, question in a special message to con-I plugged the doctor and Spellman gress.

to go and see Mrs. Mohr and ask her port a tariff commission bill meant about of that war. if she would help him. He said she the thought that there should be had promised him a lot of money, and changes in some of the tariff sched- Spanish government had decided to said, the best thing to do is to tell [fer the war. he truth," "

clined to tell his story after his dumping legislation, of jurisdiction in the leasing of pub- brother had been "grilled." He ad- Details have not yet been worked power in the military service of lie sites in the United States between mitted he opened the conversation out, but he thought a measure would Spain.

xplained.

"And you didn't think it was any which they were exported. your business to tell this story unil your brother had been grilled?" "That's right."

FRENCH AEROPLANES

wounded at Gievgeli.

All the French aeroplanes returned safety. In some cases they cov-

FLOODS CONTINUE DAMAGE IN ILLINOIS

PEORIA, III., Jan. 25 .- Flood con- ments over water power sites. bureau reported the river as still ris- federal reserve banks.

Continued damage to property and tinued hearings. towns up and down the river. Great militees continued hearings, guarding the drainage districts,

WILSON FAVORS BILL CREATING

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 25,-In WASHINGTON, Jan. 25,-Presis chauffeur, who turned state evidence, put a bill for one through during the Havas agency. testified today that he went to the present session of congress. The Bristol jail in September to see his president is expected to discuss that

On cross-examination Realis de- the committee would support anti- tion that the veteran soldier, who is

be reported similar to the anti-dump-"My God! what have you been do- ing clause of the Underwood tariff committee in a substitute for the Fer- ing ?" and that then Brown replied: bill which was eliminated in the sen-T've done it," He said he did not ate. That clause proposed an addivisit Mrs. Mohr to get help for Brown, tional tariff on goods sent to the "It was none of my business," he United States to be sold at less than the market price in the country from

MONTENEGRINS WAGE GUERILLA WAREFARE

varfare is being wased by the Mon- aged but is still affoat. Free@i acroplanes, sixteen in number, troops who are in pursuit, a number the Athens correspondent of the of Austrian aeroplanes have been Havas agency telegrophs. It is esti- barassing the Montenegrins, flying ogreal was built at Elawick in 1902, mated 100 persons were killed or low and using machine guns against is 206 feet long and has a displaceof General Martinovitch.

DAY IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- Senate Public fands committee reported vater power bill recognizing jurisdiction of both state and federal govern-

Mulitary and naval committees con-

"Trinity river project."

BUTCHER WEYLER TO REORGANIZE ARMY

PARIS, Jan. 24.—General Valerithe trial of Mrs. Elizabeth Mohr and dent Wilson told Chairman Kitchin and Weyler has been appointed presitwo negroes, accused of the murder of the ways and means committee to- dent of a central general staff of the er of George W. Healis, Dr. Mohr's iff commission and will attempt to to a dispatch from Madrid to the

General Weyler was governor of Cuba just before the Spanish Ameriwaging war , on the revolutionary, Secretary Lausing again tomorrow. shot Miss Burger." He referred to The president's plan is said to be movement and particularly his action Cecil Brown and Henry Spellman, two for a non-partisan commission for in forcing the concentration of the the purpose of collecting facts for congress. While officials would not have generally been regarded as have say today that his decision to supplie to do with the bringing. "Spellman nodded," declared Heas congress. While officials would not have generally been regarded as have s, "and said 'yes.' Brown asked me say today that his decision to sup- ing had much to do with the bringing

he asked me if I thought there was ales, it was indicated be believed some reorganize its entire army system and any chance of getting it. 'No, boys,' such changes might be necessary af- the appointment of General Weyler to the newly created position of presi-Chairman Kitchia said he thought dent of a central staff is an indica in his 77th year, continued to be a

TORPEDO STRIKES

from Athena says that the sultan's week. sucht Erthogroal, according to reports M. Denys Cochin called at the hotel in the Hosphorus by a French sub-

groups of the poorly equipped soldiers ment of 200 tons and an armament of eight 3-pounders,

PERSIANS CAPTURE **GUNS FROM RUSSIANS**

ayville). -Advices received by the today, ditions along the Illinois river cond Postoffice committee recommend-tinued serious today. The weather ed deposits of pogtal saving funds in say the six months was \$27,746,836, an fering an excellent observation post, sians, according to the report, lost 619.

KING PETER OF SERBIA FLEEING BEFORE GERMANS IN OX-CART OFFER INDEMNITY HILLIS HINTS AT FOR AMERICANS HUGHES TO LEAD UPON LUSITANIA TICKET OF G.O.P.

Lansing-Objectionable Clauses of Reply Withdrawn-Torpedoing Was Act of Reprisal for Blockade-Regret for Loss of Americans.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- Count Von Bernstorff, the German amhas- Hilles, chairman of the republican nasador, conferred today with Secretary Lansing over the status of the Lusitania incident.

when the German ambassador called rangements for the party national today another written proposal from convention, discussed political ques-Germany designed to bring about a tions including the possible candi-settlement of the controversy over the sinking of the liner Lusitania. It was publican national nomination for submitted through Ambassador Von president, Bernstorff.

proposal Germany has agreed to not a candidate for the republican eliminate from the text of the agree- nemination," Chairman Hilles said. ment any mention of the warning issued by the German embassy the day to go on the primary ballot in the the Lusitsnia sailed and has left out only three states where it has been her proposed general reservation of suggested-Minnesota, Nebraska and wrongdoing on the part of her sub- Michigan. marine commander. These two points, it is understood, were contained in previous proposals and were strenu-

an act of reprisal for the British said and we will take the statement blockade of the German coast. Re- on its face value. I think we will gret is expressed for the loss of be able to nominate a man who will American lives and indemnity is of- be satisfactory to all elements of the

Secretary Lansing's only comment elected, of the woman's husband. Dr. C. day that he favors creation of a tar-Franklin Mohr, Herbert Healis, brothcreated by a royal decree, according Germany's latest proposal was that it one knows just what his attitude is was "speculation not justified by the today toward the presidency. In disfacts.

When Ambassador Bernstorff left 1912, Justice Hughes said when he the state department after a brief went on the United States supreme stay, it was learned that an appoint- court bench he took the yell and recan war and his policy of severity in ment had been made for him to see nounced the world.

ARRIVES IN FRANCE

LYONS, France, Jan. 24.-King Nicholas of Montenegro, accompanied by Crown Prince Danilo, by Prince Peter and by Princess Militza, and by seven officers and thirty soldiers of his staff, arrived tonight from Italy Hilles, in King Victor Emmanuel's private car. He was received at the railway! station by the manicipal authorities, various state laws and that the primwho welcomed him in the name of President Poincare. A military escort the same date. I think some action attended him to the hotel, where his on the subject will be taken by the LONDON, Jan. 25.—A dispatch to wife and two daughters, Princesses next national convention, the Exchange Telegraph company Xenie and Vera, had arrived last of the primary laws most

from Constantinople, was torpedoed at which King Nicholas is staying to od choice for president before they welcome him in the name of the marine in the lafter part of Decem- French government, of which M. ROME, Jan. 25 Active guerilla ber. The vessel was seriously dams Cochin is a member without portfolio, the method of instruction; in Califor-A crowd gathered during the inter- nia, where all the delegates are electtenegrin troops on their retreat south- The same dispatch states that Field view, which lasted for twenty mine ed at large, while the republican ward and particularly in the Tara- Marshal Baron Konar Von Der Goltz ntes. The king of Montenegro later party has been against the applicabasch mountains west of Scutari, ac- has been appointed commander in appeared twice on the balcony of the tion of the unit rule since 1880 and the remaining 50 per cent must be used by the federal government for again been attacked by a squadron of the cheering crowd. He was dressed the number of delegates at 24 this the cheering growd. He was dressed the number of delegates at 24 this in the picturesque native costume,

LARGE INCREASES FOR

SAN FRANCISCO, Jun. 15 .- Large ncreases in both gree sand net revmue were shown by the Southern Pacific company in its semi-annual BERLIN, Jan. 25 (by wireless to December 31, 1915, made public here German official statement issued this

ment Persian leader, and his son increase over the same period of 1914 The cathedral was built in the fifjoined the native volunteers, number. of \$7,838,832. The railway operating teenth century and restored in 1903. ing about 4000 men, and attacked the revenue was \$50,097,311.63 and the The church had a massive baroone

preceding December of \$1,270.219. style of 1630.

Count Von Bernstorff Confers With Republican Chairman Says Roosevelt is Not a Candidate, as He Refuses to Stand in Primaries-Talks of Drafting Hughes-Points Out Need of Uniform Primary Laws.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25 .- Charles D. tional committee, before leaving for New York today, after attending the Secretary Lansing had before him session of the sub-committee on ar-

"All the information I have is to It is understood that in the latest the effect that Colonel Roosevelt is "He has declined to permit his name

Hints at Hughes

"In the statement issued by the progressive national committee it was ously objected to by President Wil- made plain that any reasonably satisfactory man would be acceptable as OF SPAIN FOR KING Germany, it is said, reiterates that the republican nominee. They insist the torpedoing of the Lusitania was ed that they meant just what they party and that our candidate will be

cussing the subject with a friend in

"There is no man big enough to reuse the presidency, in my oninion. If he were nominated without his consent, I have no idea what he would

Chairman Hilles called attention to the conflicting provisions of the direet presidential primary laws adopted by the different states, and expressed the opinion that it would reult in much uncertainty and confuson. There will be 965 delegates in he next republican convention, and of this number 603, or about 61 per cent, will be chosen by direct prim-

Wants Uniform Primaries

"There is an argent need for uniform presidential primaries in at the states, in my opinion," said Chairman

"I think a model should be prepared embodying the best features of the ary should be held iff every state on

"The primary laws most discussed are those of Ohio, where all delegates are elected; in Minnesota and Wisconsin, where there is dissention over year and the state law provides for the election of 40,"

SOUTHERN PACIFIC GERMANS DESTROY **GOTHIC CATHEDRAL**

BERLIN, Jan. 25, via London,statement for the six months ending The cathedral at Nicuport, says the afternoon has been destroyed by

simber. It contained a Gothic pulpit, two machine gans and a quantity of The operating income for December veraissance choir stalls and rood loft