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ON TRAINS AND NEWS

GREEKS AID ALLIES FORTIFYING SALONIKA

Port Is Being Made Impregnable Fortress-Railway Over Which Enemy Must Approach Is Mined-Greeks Say Not a Bulgar Soldier Will Be Permitted On Greek Soil ---General Haig Succeeds General Sir John French In Command of British On Western Frontier

weeks ago, there seemed a strong pro-test of their aligning with the entente

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She Saw With Another

Man-That's All

Tries to Link Schmidt.

Athens, Dec. 16—The allies are trans-forming Salonika into an almost im-pregnable fortress in anticipation of an attack from the central powers.

Conserve of Control in the sale of the enemy's positions south of Vran-

Gangs of Greek laborers are working agora, and the scattering of a battalion Gangs of Greek laborers are working agora, and the scattering of a battalion alongside of allied soldiers in throwing up earthworks. On the neights commanding approaches to the city, the allies' artillery has been stationed, and the railway to the north has been mined to prevent the central forces from having a clear road. Three transports debarked their forces yesterday, where seemed there seemed where a few ports debarked their forces yesterday.

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The allies at Salonika have no doubt that the central troops will invade treeve in force within a few days. Nevertheless Greeks here doubt that the Teutons and their Bulgar cohorts will attempt such a move. Those hold—this view say that the Germans realize that an attempt to dislodge the allies at Salonika would be hopeless.

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The newspapers declare that not a single Bulgar soldier will be allowed on

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London, Dec. 16.—With Sir John
French no longer commanding British
forces on the western battle front and
General Sir Donelas Haig named to
succeed him, the changes in the British gris and forced another to flee. Houses,
ish forces have only started, it was
hinted today.

Sir John French retired at his own
request, and will be commander of
forces in the United Kingrom.

Walle there will probably be no vio-

Waile there will probably be no violent shakeup, a gradual replacing of field commanders is apparently slated before the expected spring offensive starts. Those responsible for the failure before Loos in the "big drive" care before Loos in the "big drive" the Montenegria royal family in last September will be transferred to less important posts.

The appointment of Haig to the chief command in France and Flanders

The appointment of Haig to the chief command in France and Flanders was hailed enthusiastically oy the public today. The change came as no surprise, for the wave of criticism that had been directed against Earl Kitcliener turned toward General Frenca after the Loos combat. Sir John, however, retains the friendship of the public even though he does not hold its confidence.

Bulgars May Enter Greece.

Berliu, by wireless to Sayville, L. L., Dec. 16. — That the Bulgarian troops may continue their pursuit of the allies may continue their pursuit of the allies after the Loos combat. Sir John, however, retains the friendship of the public even though he does not hold its confidence.

Haig is a Scotchman 54 years old, Haig is a Scotchman 54 years old, with a record behind him for service in Africa, the Sudan and India. In the present operations as has been mentioned in praise by Field Marshal French is past 60, and his record, too, is excellent, though of inte stories had circulated that he had men upon his staff who were unqualified for prefer-

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Paris, Dec. 16.—That Italian troops and munitions have landed in Albania and are maring to the state of the s and are moving to the relief of the Serbians was indicated today in a Rome dispatch admitting destruction of the Italian destroyer Intrepido and the transport Remberto by drifting mines in the Adriatic. The message stated that 43 perished, and declared the lesses were so light because shipleads of men and material had already reached their destination unharmed, and shipment of dynamite at San Franceson this, it was taken that the description shortly before the Times building From this, it was taken that the des-



APPEALS FOR AID FOR PERTITUTE SERBIANS

War Co. wondent Tells of Frightfu "onditions In Her Ma s Homes

By William G. Shepherd. (United Press staff correspondent.) Salonika, Dec. 16.—A million Serbian irls and women are facing terrible sufgirls and women are facing terrible suf-fering—and possibly death—for lack of food and clothing, or a fate worse than death at the hands of roving comitadjis (irregulars) not yet entirely suppressed by the invaders.

Well clothed and well fed allied sol-diers have suffered severely from the cold in southern Serbia.

powers, a conservative leader was re-ported now to have suggested in audi-ence with the king that the time is now ripe for Rumania to join the central powers and invade Bessarabia, which Rumania covets.

These dispatches suggested that the Russian concentration on the Rumanian border is to offset a possible invasion by Rumanians rather than for the purpose of invading Bulgaria themselves.

SCHMIDT AS THE MAN American Doctor Is

By Wilburn S. Forrest.

(United Press staff correspondent.) London, Dec. 16.—Back from the Serbian "trail of horrors," Lady Sybil Finlay today related a story of bravery on the part of Dr. Richard Jett, American physician and Matron Anna Dull when Pirot, Serbia, was under fire.
''It seemed as though the hospital in

which they were would be blown to pieces," she said, "for the Bulgar gun-ners made buildings nearby their speached their destination unharmed, and shipment of dynamite at San Francisco shortly before the Times building and their was blown up continued toolay in Schmidt's trial on a murder charge.

These Helping Austrians.

Vienna, Dec. 16.—Mohammedans and teenth avenue, San Francisco, said sac had seen Scamidt and another man untharities insisted that they leave. They teenth avenue, San Francisco, said sac had seen Scamidt and another man unloading boxes into a house on that street, and that she had seen Schmidt carry suitcases into the house. The state alleges these boxes contained exploives.

Mrs. A. Whitlock told of seeing two men unloading boxes, but could not identify Schmidt as one of them,

Mrs. W. A. Peterson, of East Oakland, said Scamidt and another man visited her house about a week before the Times was blown up, and offered

the Times was blown up, and offered \$500 for the hire of a launch. It was refused.

H. M. Nutter, a saleaman for an Oakland sign house, swore he sold two men letters for the word "Peerless" which, the prosecution claims, were naied onto the launch "Pastime" which the dynamiters are alleged to have hired to carry their deadly gelatin to Los Angeles from San Francisco. Nutter sould not positively say Schmilt was one of the men to whom he sold the letters.

Washington, Dec. 16. — Chairman Webb of the house judiciary committee today informed suffrages constitutional amendment being acted on this session because congressional union members campaigned against democratic members of who blocked its submission last seasion. Members of the committee intimated that an investigation of the union's lobbying has been seriously discussed. the Times was blown up, and offered \$500 for the hire of a launch. It was

cussed.

AUSTRIA FAILS TO MEET DEMANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

Says Facts Do Not Warrant Conclusion As To Austria's Culpability

AMERICA MUST SET OUT

Austria Does Not Answer.

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.—Austria has falledto meet the American demand for dyninion in view of American citizens with loss of American lives. Vienna adispatches today said that the reply and for the Service of American lives. Vienna foreign office admits its willingness to indulge in an exchange falledto meet the American demand for dyninion in view of American citizens with loss of American lives. Vienna foreign office admits its willingness to indulge in an exchange falledto meet the American demand for opinion in view of American citizens perished.

On the point raised by Washington Dec. 16.—An army edu willingness to indulge in an exchange falledto meet the American has the proposed amendment. These date in engineering and hardened to distinct the rights of campaigning through the rights of campaigning through the rights of campaigning deserts, reforesting large western tracts and protecting the rights of campaigning through the rights of camp

suggests that the indemnity question can be easily settled after an agreement is reached on the principal issues.

A clearer statement of reasons for questioning the submarine commander's acts is suggested. Moreover, dispatches declare, the foreign office said that, in view of the firmness with which America voiced her demands, she must anvest actual facts concerning the tarpedoing which she did not set forth in detail in the original note; therefore, she requests the United States to present them is another note.

Believes Her Officers

To Make New Demand.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Another and more peremptory demand for disavowal of the Austrian torpedoing of the Ital and in the declar of invasion from the Japanese, who have more veteran soldiers on the Palanese, who have more veteran soldiers on the Palanese of Palanese, who have more veteran soldiers on the Palanese of Palanese, who have more veteran soldiers on the Palanese of Palanese, who have more veteran soldiers on th

Believes Her Officers

She assures America that Austria will accept in a judicial spirit any evidence in the Washington government's hands, but that the facts now in Austria's possession do not warrant America's con-clusions as to Austria's culpability.

Press dispatches quoted the note as saying: "As can be easily recognized, the representation of the circumstances

THE WEATHER



Oregon: Rain tonight and Friday; warmer to-night south and portions; winds interior, southerly along the gale coast.

VOICE FROM THE DEEP BELONGING TO JONES ADVISES PRESIDENT

S. S. Oscar II, Radio vin Cape Race. erica, that we are all mollycoddles. I at a mass meeting held aboard Henry may be true, that every mollycoddle is At a mass meeting held aboard Henry Ford's Peace Ship, Tuesday evening, a pacifist, but, it is not true, that every mollycoddle is December 7th, S. S. McClure, the empirical magazine publisher and publicist, we are going to show President Wilson's message, an advanced copy of which Mr. McClure had obtained before sailing. After the readings, Mr. Ellis O. Jones, one of the delegates spoke as follows:

I certainly do not believe this message should be received in silence by is in favor of preparedness; every cor-

and the control of th

The Vienus foreign office admits its

This will cite the Austrian admiralty

tracts and help to empty the city slums. It would be a better force to defend us

AFTER THE MILITANTS.

This will cite the Austrian admirally admission that the ship was deliberately sunk while passengers were aboard and the debarking passengers were shelled with sufficient evidence sustaining America's position. The reply was regarded as play for more time.

An unofficial report at the state department today said that the Austrian reply had been cabled to Berne last night for forwarding today. It is expected to the case of a private, tried and disciplined for entering and remaining in a saloon where there was also an officer.

STORM IN ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Dec. 15—The second sleet storm this week again paralyzed wires in central H-linois today, and extended as far west as Kansas City.

THE COMMERCIAL PRESENT NAME

Thinks It Would Smell As Sweet Under It As If a Chamber of Commerce

AID FOR POULTRY SHOW

thing," said Mr. D'Arey.
"Everything is running too smooth and there are no arguments," declared to the when given a chance to dis-Washington, Dec. 16 .- An army edu- Mr. Brick, when given a chance to dis-

was handed to Ambassador Penfield yesterday, asking further time and more negotiations. It was reported, too, that Austria did not reply to the request for punishment of the attacking submarine commander and asserted it would never do this.

The tone of the note, however, is conciliatory. It desires an exchange of views with the idea of arriving at an amicalle settlement, and expresses regret that American lives were sucrificed. In this connection, the message suggests that the indemnity question can be easily settled after an agreement

contributions, but that the club could not prevent any organization and private party from asking for funds. This ruling was not according to the under-

standing of many of the members.
Financing the Marion county poultry
show was another question on which decided opinions were expressed. D. A. White claimed that the Commercial club

was being done with the Commercial club money, and why if the club had at least \$1,000 that could be easily col-lected, why the club could not help such an important caterprise as the Marion County Poultry show. On the motion of Judge P. H. D'Arcy, it was voted that the board of directors do all tion work of which he spoke in his ad-

London. Dec. 16.—Pelice today swooped down upon the Pankhurst militant suffragists' headquarters and seized the type used in publishing Brittania, formerly the Suffragette.

voted that the board of directors do all in its power to finance the Marion County Poultry show. Walter Smith stated that by charging an admission, (Continued on Page Six.)