

lerman terms.

Reports of the session indicate that the Germans took a definite stand and most frankly outlined demands upon which they are insistent. The ecretary of Ukrainian delegation gave out an account of the meeting. ays the Russians put a question to BIG FIVE'S HOLDINGS ne delegates of the Central Powers is to what were their final peace ermis.

General Hoffman, one of the German delegates, replied by opening a map and pointing out the following ine, which they insisted should con-stitute the future frontier of Russia: From the shores of the Gulf of Finnd to the east of the Moon sound ands to Valk, to the west of Minsk. Brest-Litovsk."

This completely eliminates Courand and all the Baltic provinces.

ber of the Russian delegation, asked: to Congress.

"Supposing we do not agree to such onditions. What are you going to slaughtering of cattle and calves in

ported to have been: "Within a week, or virtually 30 per cent. hen, we would occupy Reval.'

The Russians then asked for a retess, which was granted reluctantly. that the country should be forced to The Germans declared it was the last pay abnormally high prices for leathpostponement to which they would er products made from the correonsent. The request was made by spondingly increased take-off of eon Trotzky, head of the Russian hides," the report declares. elegation, who said he desired an opnen's and Soldiers' Delegates.

The negotiations between the Ukainians and the Central Powers are 'owers immediately on the conclusion pounds July 31, 1917. I peace.



Still a Great Need for Coal, But Weather is Moderating

New York, Jan. 24.-While New plentiful. fork's need for coal is still acute, fuel aministrators and transportation of values which the packers have placed ficials today were hopeful that the on their hides are much greater than omewhat milder weather and the the increase in the price they have reight embargo on Eastern railways paid for cattle. While the farmers would materially relieve the situation. received only 17 per cent. more for

Startling Charges Made in Report of the Federal Trade Commission

INCREASED 45 PERCENT

More Cattle Killed and More danger and that he would support te the world work, would reflect great agents. Hides Imported, Yet Shoe Prices Soared-Shoe **Exports** Decreased

Washington, Jan. 24 .- Hoarding of The Russians asked the terms of hides by meat packers, while shoe he Central Powers in regard to the prices have been climbing upward and territory south of Brest-Litovsk. Gen- excessive profits to the packers who ral Hoffman replied that was a ques- practically control the hide market tion which they would discuss only are charged in a report by the Federal with Ukraine. M. Kameneff, a mem- Trade Commission, submitted today distortion of the truth."

The Commission points out that the United States increased during General Hoffman's answer is 're- the last five years by 5,100,000 head.

"Such a record of food animals

ought not at the same time to mean

The Commission reported that the

the first half of 1917. These five con- not by one of my colleagues, but by proceeding amicably. The Austrians cerns were declared to be the "chief a very distinguished gentleman who fered to cede Cholmtchina to the factor" in the hide market. While has the love and admiration of the krainian republic, but only on con- they had on hand January 31, 1916, a people and who by their suffrage ocition that the Ukrainians send grain total of \$8,033,193 pounds of hides, the cupies the highest place of any man in and other foodstuffs to the Central amount had increased to 127,694,169 the world."

ers showed an even more striking interstate packers, including the "Big tacked unsuccessfully. increased from 98,980,726 Five," pounds to 147,1780,271 pounds, or

practically one-half. Imports of hides also were found by the Commission to have increased in 1917, 70 per cent. more than in 1912. Finally, the Commission found that "country" hides, being the take-off of farmers and local butchers, are very

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if the War Department had been effective.'

Snator Chamberlain read a letter received from President Wilson opposproposed legislation.

After speaking nearly three hours, on unification. Senator Chamberlain concluded with

crat, took up the reply. Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the Military committee, rose to a question of personal privilege in the Senate today, and replied to President Wilson's recent statement charging that the Senator, in a speech at

New York, advocating government war-organization and declaring inefficiency existed in all branches of the government, had made "an astonishing and absolutely unjustifiable

AMERICAN STEAMER In beginning his address Senator Chamberlain said the President had attacked both his veracity and integrity, heretofore unchallenged, but that in replying he did so without any personal feeling against the Pres-

ident. "For 24 years," Senator Chamberlain said. "I have served the public in my State to the best of my ability and in all that time I have never had my veracity called in question nor my integrity impeached, and I have passed through some bitter campaigns. It

is, therefore, with some feeling of hum portunity to lay the German peace quantity of hides stored by the "Big ilation and also sadness that I rise erican steamship Owasco, formerly ance to government agents and intimterms before the Council of Work- Five" Chicago packers, Armour, Swift, to a question of personal privilege the German steamer Allemannia and ated that they were friendly to the

Morris, Cudany and Wilson-in- when my veracity has been called in creased 45 per cent. during 1916 and question, not by an ordinary citizen;

Stocks held by the smaller pack,

Paris, Jan. 23 .- The sinking of two crease, amounting to 83 per cent., in French ships of more than 1,650 the same period, although the total tons, and one of lesser size, is shown was only 20,086,102 pounds July 31, in the weekly report of French ship-1917. The grand total held by 275 in- ping losses. Four vessels were at-

FORCED REDUCTION IN SALE OF FLOUR

French Lost Three Ships.

Food Administration to Take

Over 30 Percent of Flour for Allies

Monumental church last night. at Greenville, S. C.; Jackson, at Co-and nail and up to my neck." said In view of the fact that such a lumbia, S. C.; and Oglethorpe, at Chat- Senator Simmons this morning. I Intensity of the artillery fire has in

prominent member of the commission tanooga. should make such a public statement, Investigations about these and other Wednesday conferring with my Dem- and raiding parties and air fighting ing the creation of a minister of mu- with the expectancy of the Commis- camps still are under way. The ocratic colleagues over this legisla- have been resumed under more favor nitions. He said he did this to count- sion entering into executive session campaign already has resulted in ar- tion. Almost every Democrat in the eract the President's charge that to consider the points which are re- rests of hundreds of moonshiners in Senate will vote against the War Cab. able conditions. The success he had not been consulted regarding garded as the most obstinate, it is Southern dry States. State laws for inet bill and although the Republi- German raid on British trenches believed the Commission will agree bidding importation and the Federal cans may vote solidly for it, I expect of LaBasse is announced by the I

tax of \$3.20 a gallon have driven the we can defeat it." Failure of this Commission to agree price of crude corn liquor about many The defense of President Wilson a pleat that he was only doing his on unification and unite the great camps to \$8 and \$12 a quart, accord- against the attempt to hamper his claims, however, that another how duty in arousing the country to its power of Methodism for its part in ing to evidence gathered by revenue freedom of action by the creation of party was dispersed west of Vill President altough "grossly maligned." discredit upon the members, contin-connor Kirby, of Arkansas, a Demo-ued Bishop Cransion. He spoke very from many Governors specific on mans, Ollie James, of Kentucky, and capture of ground gained by the the many Governors specific on mans, Ollie James, of Kentucky, and capture of ground gained by the strongly for unity and with apparent dorsement of the anti-liquor campaign. Martin, of Virginia. Three abler men emy in a raid Wednesday mor Some State executives and local offi- could not be found. Senator Overman The French statement also says I

The principal point of difference be clais, however, were reluctant to fur- will stand by the President against the artillery is active in the Cha tween the members of the committee hish the State agents required for the the Chamberlain proposal. from the two sections has been over work ... A report presented today to Com- delegation is solidly behind President emy attempt at the former place. the disposition of the negro Metho-

dists. Bishop Cranston intimated that missioner Roper by Chief Revenue Wilson, and opposed to the War Cab- During the period from January 1 Agent Nutt showed that nearly 80 inet plan. Even if the Chamberlain to 20, ten German airplanes, we per cent. of the illegal stills seized proposition should carry in the Sen- brought down by the French.

recently in Virginia were in Patrick, ate, it would be overwhelmingly de- More intense artillery firing between Wise, Franklin, Pittsylvania, Halifax feated in the House where Claude the Adige and Brenta valleys is re and Henry counties. Conditions have Kitchin would lead the fight against ported in the Italian official statem been found to be bad in Mecklenburg, it. Floyd, Carroll, Grayson, Nelson, Am- Congressman Zeb Weaver, of Ashe- on the right bank of the Piave and o

herst, Madison, Green, Dickinson and ville, expressed the sentiments of the the southeastern slopes of Mo Buchanan counties. other North Carolinians today when Spinoncia.

counties are known as "good moon- the Chamberlain plan or any other Benedict's peace note, declares that shine territory" and nearly 700 stills plan to create a new cabinet official Belgium will consent to peace only Was Formerly the German have been seized and destroyed in a or any other department board or upon the guarantee of absolute i year. Conditions are bad in Hender- bureau that will in any way interfere ical, economic and territorial son, Polk, Wilkes, Johnston, Transyl- with our commander-in-chief in his pendence. The note of the Bell

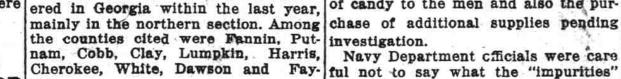
vania, Alexander, Yadkin, McDowell, conduct of the war." Burke and Wake counties.

In a number of counties in the West part of the State, it was said, local of-

'IMPURITIES'' FOUND An Atlantic Port, Jan. 24 .- The Am- ficials refused to give proper assistmoonshiners. Pickens and Horry counties of South Carolina, were reported localities where illicit distilling has flourished and which government agents Canteens Ordered to Stop are watching closely. In most northwestern counties, stills are said to be operated on rather large scales and moonshiners take the product to the

camps in that State. They either sell The Owasco is the American ship the liquor themselves or give it to recently reported as having been one their agents who dispose of it to solof three vessels sunk while passing a diers. Laxity of a number of county lighthouse, with the submarine lying officials in South Carolina also was off shore and picking the vessels off reported.

as they passed through the beam of light. The two other ships sunk were a Norwegian and a British ship.



Camden, N. J., Jan. 24 .- Two manufacturing establishments engaged in the manufacture of war materials the manufacture of the which swept a two-story building covering a half FOR ENTOMBED MINERS block today. The entire loss will reach \$500,000, it is believed.

One tenant in the building was manufacturing patterns for submarine spent the greater part of Tuesday and creased all along the Western f

IN CANDY FOR NAV

Seling Candy Pending In-

vestigation

"impurities" in candy supplied to can-

order immediately caused a recur-

glass has been discovered. There

was no confirmation for this, however, and no cases of sickness from eating

It was merely stated that "impuri-

the candy have been reported.

ish official communication, a special group of officials to handle Guislain. In the Nieuport sector, wood front and in the sector of H In the House, the North Carolina 344 and claims the failure of an el

which also tells of small engageme

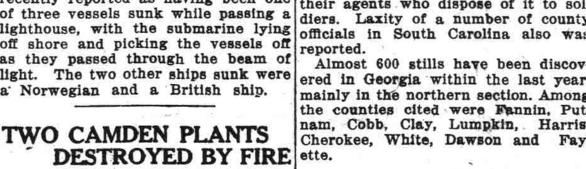
In North Carolina 54 of the 100 he said: "I am unalterably opposed to King Albert, in his reply to Pop government concludes with the de laration that the replies of the Ce tral Empires to the Pope's note ha failed to make mention of the "undi puted rights of Belgium that his Hol ness has not ceased to recognize a proclaim."

> Evidence of unrest among the pe ple in Austria and Germany continu to reach the outside world through Switzerland and Holland. News the Austrian strikes and peace mands appear to be generally know in Germany despite the efforts of th censorship to the contrary. The Au trian hope that the German work would follow their lead, however, he not materialized, due probably to th Washington, Jan. 24 .- Discovery of ever powerful military party.

teens of navy ships today caused the issue of an order suspending the sale of candy to the men and also the pur-The fuel movement Navy Department cflicials were care ful not to say what the "impurities" were, but the announcement of the

rence of the report that powdered Other Railroads Join in Bar ring All Except Fuel, Fod and Munitions

ties" had been discovered in candy sold to the officers and men and that Washington, Jan. 24 .- The move while chemical investigation was dement of fuel, food and mun termining what the foreign substances went forward in the face of ad



seized here when the United States entered the war, was sunk by a submarine the early part of December, while in Mediterranean waters near the Spanish coast, according to survivors of the ship who arrived here

Steamer Alllemania-Two

of Crew Lost

OWASCO TOPEDOED

hope for it at an early date.

this point is nearing adjustment.

today on a Spanish liner. It was said that two members of the crew lost their lives.

