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CHARLOTTE, N. C., MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 9, 1918.

LSON ATTENDS SUNDAY

ly walk on deck and then rest-He did not work during the

The George Washington is run-ing through smoother seas and acountering warmer weather.

fall of Berlin Will Go Up in Smoke, When "Real" Revolution Starts, Is Prediction.

Lied Throughout the War.

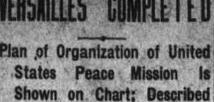
BOLSHEVISM INCREAS ING

Consistently

Special Cable to The Observer From The London Times. Copyright, 1918, by Public Lodger Co.) The Hague, Dec. S.—Many Dutch-men who have come from Germany any the German's are disgusted with their own press, which consistently led to them throughout the war, as result of which they are unable to feel sonfidence any longer. At pres-ent if one were to take German news-apper statements at their face value, sons swimmingly for the govern-ment; that the national assembly was held in almost universal approval; hat the extremites were discomfited, het was had the government. The very maximum of these representa-tion and the government. The terr Giebel. avaded, says The guestion t wate probable

Barth firmly denied the evidence of bolsheviam in Section. It is impossible to say how far the menace of bolsheviam in Germany rests on a blass of facts: how far it is a mere lever to extort concessions or to extend them. Judging from re-ports from various places in Ger-many, I am inclined to believe its is increasing and will continue to in-crease as winter proceeds. One re-port is that there will be a general strike within a fortnight and that an-archy then will reign supreme. Nat-urally, I am unable to suscentise the

It clear that our people were of their own free choice united with their novernment in the determination not only to wage war with the instru-ments of destruction, but also by every means in their power to re-pair the ravages of the invader and sustain and renew the spirit of the army and of the homes which they represented. The friends of the American Red Cross in Italy, Bel-gium and France have told, and will tell again, the story of how the Red Cross workers restored morale in the homitals, in the camps, and at the coming discussions. urally, PEASANTS MAKES FRIENDS country must be organized. **HORY** sd we ought tical than the German sufferings and whose glory are the will admit. heritage of humanity. Persons who come from Germany "Now, by God's grace, the Red Cross Christmas message of 1918 is to be a message of peace as well as tell me the real revolution has not yet begun and when it does half of Berwill ascend to heaven in flames. a message of good will. But peace does not mean that we can fold our hands. It means further sacrifice. This may be alarmist talk, but if the bolsheviks get their way, they cer-tainly will not stick at triffes. Our membership must hold together and be increased for the great tasks The Bremerhaven has published a report which says the workers on the to come. We must prove conclusively great ship construction docks have to an attentive work that America is gone over to the belshevik camp. The permanently aroused to the needs of paper says if the workers' demands are insisted on, the builders cannot acthe new era, our old indifference gone who has been in the island of Wierforever. cept more orders and the docks will cept more orders and the docks will lie idle. Meanwhile dangers also threaten Germany from another quarter, it be-ing reported in circles frequented by active officers of the army that ex-Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria word and for every helpful service. We must not forget that our soldiers treats to beer and offers cigarettes. s drawing together the threads for a counter-revolution and is trying to se-cure the participation by high officers and still have duties to perform of and the leading men in the former the highest consequence, and that the regime. There is nothing improbable Red Cross Christmas membership day, which he pronounces "tag," in this report, since The Vorwaertz means a great deal to them. The in this report, since the vorwaerts means a great deal to them. The whereas the Datch draw out the word says the counter-revolutionary excess people of the saddened lands, more-thus, "daag." The peasants try to over, returning home today where get him to talk, but the prince pruthey have no home must have the as-A Munich telegram says Kurt Elssurance that the hearts of our people ner has sent a telegram to Herr are with them in the dark and doubt-Ebert and Haase in Berlin, saying the ful days ahead. Let us, so far as we can, help them back to faith in mercy ninistry of the people's state of Bavaria is unanimously of the opinion that and in future happiness. conference of representatives of the "As president of the Red Cross, German governments should be sum-moned immediately in Vienna or in conscious in this great hour of value of such a message from the Ameri-can people, I should be glad if every American would join the Red Cross some centrally situated place where unity shall be attained on a program of foreign and domestic policy. for 1919, and thus send forth to the whole human family the Christmas FIRE RUINS DORMITORY greeting for whch it waits and for which it stands in greatest need. (Signed) "WOODROW WILSON." AT CASWELL SCHOOL



in Paris Dispatch.

Paris, Saturday, Dec. 7.—The plan of organization of the United States peace mission which is now tenta-tive, but which in its essentials un-doubtedly will stand unchanged shows the body which will look out for America's interests when the world's

delegates gather at Versailles as comlete in every detail. The chart of the organization which has been prepared here shows the large American organization headed by the members of the peace com-mission itself, with the chart lines running from this group to that of the first secretary, John C. Grew, to the second, or liason and diplomatic talling and the third the

And the billing of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the sector of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the sector of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the sector of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the sector of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the sector of the country on the one has a single essentiation of the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the one has a single essentiation to the country on the country o

The White House "Washington, Nov. 26, 1918. "To the American People: "One year age \$2,000,000 Ameri-cans by enrolling as members of the Red Cross at Christmas time, sent to the men who were fighting our bat-les overseas a simulating message of cheer and good will. They made trolear that our people were of their own free choice united with their clerks, stenographers, translaters, con-fidential secretaries, cartographers, paraphrasers, message transmitters and receivers. There are special carand receivers. Intere are species outh-tographers for western Europe, south-east Africa, Africa in general, Poland and Turkey, which go to show the scope of American interest in the

> **CROWN PRINCE PLAYING BILLIARDS WITH DUTCH**



Also Recommends Pooling of Marine Cable Lines.

OFFERS PLAN TO BURLESON

Properties, Not Dismembered, Would Be Turned Back to **Private Control Ultimately.**

ters. One of the two assistant secretaries will have within his secretarial duties the printing of communications, the distribution of press information, fil-ing of reports, coding matter for transmission to the signal corps and wire terminals, etc. A sub-branch of the liason and diplomatic intelligence officers is a bureau n which American civilian ac-truties will be represented such as those of Herbert C. Hoover, the food administrator, the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, the Knights of Pythiss, the Salvation army and the wa rirade board. There are vast staffs of coding clerks, stenographers, translaters, coneramental authority and private ownership or operation, retaining all the advantages and incentives of

Mr. Vail, who is acting as confi-dential adviser to Postmaster Burleson in the control of the wire communication systems taken over by the government, discussed the land and marine wire organization separ-ately. If the United States, he said,

is to become a commercial and in-dustrial world center, an American cable system consonant with the obIn Annual Report Secretary of the Navy Urges Preparedness to Meet Demands of Peace for National and International Work on Sea-Tells Story of Brilliant Achievement of American Navy in the War; Seemingly Impossible Accomplished. Dozen or More Persons Killed

Washington, Dec. 8.—With a story of brilliant achievements of the American navy in the war, Secretary Daniels couples, in his annual report made public today, an urgent recom-mendation for continued naval expan-mendation for continued naval expan-

mendation for continued naval expansion to meet the demands of peace tor national and international work on the sea.
Through nearly all of 144 printed pages the secretary tells in brief phrases of the navy's part in the war, of the doing of the seemingly impossible through teamwork. He speaks of the mighty accomplishment of transporting 2,000,000 men to France, without the loss of an eastbound troop ship through enemy, action, and he devotes a graphic chapter to the marrine brigade, which as all the world commensurate with its wealth, its commerce, its growing and evance on Paris, and started the Gervance on Paris, and started the German retreat that ended with the war. leadership in the council of free peo-ple. It is therefore, our duty now

This reference to the future con-cludes the report: "The day is not far distant when the world will witness an end of com-petitive building between nations of mighty weapons of war. In the peace, treaty there will undoubtedly be incorporated President Wilson's pro-



BY J. M. JEFFRIES. 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—A battalion of the Thirty-ninth infan-Special Cable to The Observer From The London Times.

ments from Mackensen's army

The ancient kingdom of Poland is

Czechs to retire.

try left Treves by train today for Coblenz, a four hours' run. The preht. 1918, by Public L

Including Several Girls NEWSPAPER PLANT STORMED

Leaders of Insurgent Forces Armed With Hand Weapons,

Are Detained.

Zurich, Dec. 8 .- The the fighting at Berlin Fr. to 180, according to Int to 180, according to in vices received here is Spartacus or radical are reported to be defe chine guns, three suburbs of Berlin. expanding merchant marine, and its

Berlin, Saturday, Dec. 7.---(By the Associated Press.)-The rioting of Friday in Berlin, the instarious raid on the executive committee of the soldiers' and workmen's council, and the demonstration by soldiers and sallors on behalf of Chancellor Ebert when he was acclaimed as president of the republic but set aside the honor, have widened the existing gap ple. It is therefore, our duty now not, indeed, to enter upon any new and ambitious naval program, but to go forward steadily upon the lines of naval increase to which the country committed itself by the adoption three years ago of the first far-reaching

of the republic but set aside the honor, have widened the existing gaps between the wings of social democo-racy, which seems now more than ever hpoelessly divided. Political onlookers are wondering today whether the Ebert and Hause factions have reached the parting of the ways, and are asking what will be the attitude of the Berlin resilvents the attitude of the Berlin regimen from the front when they arrive hon ext week.

Berlin, Saturday, Dec. 7, (By U Associated Press.)-The clush b Associated Press.) — The clush been ween government troops and follow-ers of the Spartacus, or radical group, resulted in from 13 to 16 persons being killed, according to various re-ports. The number of wounded is not expected to exceed fity. Several girls who were passengers on a street car were among those killed. It appears that the audience from one of the three meetings of deserters from the army was marching northward in Chausses Strasse to join the audience from a meeting held in a hall further north. The fusile-guards were drawn in a the Inter-section of Invaliden Strasse and the commander warned the people to discommander warned the people to dis perse. The marchers were crying

Damage Estimated at Between \$35,000 and \$40,000 --- Kitten Causes Excitement.

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 8 .- Fire ruined the main dormitory for girls at the Caswell Training school near here today. The damage is estimated at been \$35,000 and \$40,000. Superintendent McNairy and a colored laborer were slightly injured.

creaming girls who made a rush for the dormitory to rescue a kitten were hold in restraint until the pet was brought out. The building contained the school chapel and sleeping quarters for many.

HERRMANN PREDICTS

HEYDLER'S ELECTION

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 8 .- August Herrmann, chairman of the National baseball commission, said today that action would be taken at the National

STEEL COMPANY DENIED

New York, Dec. 8.—The national war labor board made public here tonight an order denying the request of the Bathlehem Steel company that the board's examiners be withdrawn from the company's machine shops and that it be permitted to 'make the necessary arrangements of our rces to meet the new p

KING GEORGE THANKS THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA FOR HELPING IN THE WAR

Sends Message to Be Read at Britain Day Celebration. Hopes for Continued Unity Between the Nations.

New York, Dec. 8 .- A message from King George, expressing the hope that Britons and Americans may be as united in peace as they were in war, was read today at a meeting in the Hippodrome, arranged as the climax of New York's celebration of Britain

day. The king's message, read by Alton B. Parker, who presided, stated that "the people of the British empire join

with me in thanking you and those

a Afraid of Everything and Ev- system which will place this country directly in communication with every erybody and Dreads influenza country with which we have or hope and Other Disease and tions," declared Mr. Vall. "As it is

Death.

(Copyright, 1918, by Public Ledger Company.) The Hague, Dec. 8.—The Telegraaf

publishes an article by Henri Habert, ingen. The German crown prince, he new friends, whom he frequently

whereas the Dutch draw out the word dently never speaks of German political affairs. Young Wilhelm Hohenzollern, continues Habert, has above all an extra-

ordinary dread of everything connected with sickness and death and therefore takes the strictest precautions against influenza. He is afraid of everything and everybody and his anxiety betrays itself in his slightest gesture. If you make a sudden motion with your hand or put your hand in your pocket, the prince's eye follows it and he never loses sight of you. He is suffering from severe de-pression from which he occasionally

endeavors to obtain relief by lying down and letting his friend Goebelitz read aloud to him. According to an eye witness, he frequently dons his full uniform with all his orders and parades in front of the mirror in his

oom, after which he again dresses in ordinary woolen things with checked trousers.

He appears already to have reconciled himself to his fate. He seems to nual report, made public today. think he will remain here always and often tells the Dutch servant he exects shortly a visit from his wife and shildren, who then will again leave him, "For they couldn't endure this island long." He deplores the lack of saddle horses and carriages, which would "fill up the day so well." Not to find this lack too trying he writes

and reads much.

associated with you for your efforts in promoting this celebration, which will be welcomed as a proof of the true French delegation to the peace con- action would be taken at the National league meeting in New York next.
 Tuesday to resume the league schedule and to elect John Heydler president.
 "We are going to stam right where we were when the war stopped us," said Mr. Herrmann. "We will not stop until the game is back upon its old footing. We shall vote to resume the National league schedule and we shall make John Heydler president in name as well as in fact."
 REQUEST OF BETHLEHEM
 EXTECT: COMPARING DEFINICE French delegation to the peace conmay find ous two nations always united as they are today." A message from Premier Lloyd George read: "I am always delighted with any work which helps to make our two nations understand one another bet-ter. We shall never forget the prompt and declaive response of the Ameri-can President and people of the allies call this spring, and the invaluable part played by the American navy in helping to free the sea from the Ger-man pests."

JO-JO SAYS CLEMENCEAU MAY LEAD art FRENCH PEACE MISSION

fuesday.

trian empire, where the various populations are engaged in a futile struggle which is costing human lives for the possession of towns and country-

opportunities of the

now, we are on one side of the world ality. system. We must be made one of

the centers of the world system if we Special Cable to The Observer From expect to complete on even terms The London Times. with the world or be properly conyesterday close to Marchegg near Plessburg. The Czechs occupied the bridge over the March and the Hunsidered by the countries we wish to garians attacked them. A train hapreach.

Immediate Action Needed.

"The immediate and pressing necessity is for the East Coast-South guns and hand grenades. From American cable to give this country Marchegg a detachment of Germans and the river Platte countries direct and Austrian troops hurried up. They cable communication.

"There is one thing that calls for the immediate action. The cable situa-tion is and has been grave. Conges-tion is now the rule and cumulation soldiers probably. of business is at times serious, and when the activities of the peace conat the mercy of the Ruthenlans who ference are really commenced in are contemplating new military action Europe, it will be greatly increased. "By one traffic head controlling Lemberg and other Polishtowns. Befor the encircling and starving out of cable operation and a few slight tween the Poles themselves and the changes in the physical property which could centralize the cable ter-Czechs there are germs of discord aris-ing over mining possessions and the minals, as it were, the efficiency can be somewhat increased."

disputes between the states, punitive states and pseudo states, there has For the unification of the land wires, Mr. Yail suggested creation of arisen a craze for auto-determination, which if allowed to continue will lead three operating divisions, each emto chaos. Communities are declaring bracing the distinctive operation of everywhere that they are "speech is-"telephone service" and "telegraph lands;" that is, they have a different tongue from those around them, and service" and "the maintenance and manipulation of wires of systems" as therefore they must have new selfdistinct from traffic operations, Below those divisions the organization could governing institutions. Maps in support of these "speech islands" are appearing everywhere. be amplified and arranged to meet the necessities, he said, and the These maps are being prepared in great numbers and the peace conwhole should operate under one executive head.

FOOD SERVED SOLDIERS PROVED SATISFACTORY

Washington, Dec. 8 .- The foo made at least to know where served to the American soldier, both begin and what they own, are making in the camps and in the field, has insufficient headway with their task. been "universally satisfactory," Briga-On the eastern horizon there continu-ally hovers the shadow of bolshevism. dier W. T. Wood, acting inspector general of the army, says in his an-

Another of my Lemberg documents is a wireless appeal sent by the so-called workmen's and soldiers' coun-cil in Moscow which is being carefully circulated by the Ruthenian forces It is admitted that complaints have been recorded regarding some of the clothing equipment, but the report says "these defects were unavoidable that tried to master Lemberg. in many cases and were remedied as far as practicable."

The Austro-German republic will be represented at the peace conference by a mission whose head will be Dr. Franz Klein, a well known writer on legal questions. He maintains that, if free trade is not adopted among all port in this section." the new states, the Austrian empire will be dissolved and there will be ruin all around. Dr. Klein makes general appeal for the German-Aus-trians to Bohemians to allow those OFFER OF M wealthy manufacturing portions of the Bohemia which the former claim as German to join the German-Austrian states. "Otherwise," he says, "we

ing British troops. Imst is 30 miles west of Innabruck.

FRENCH PRISONERS SHOT IN PRUSSIAN PRISON

Paris, Dec. 8.-(Havas.)-Nine French prisoners were shot by the Germans, and 15 other prisoners seriously wounded at the prison camp in Langensalza, Prussian Saxony, the Spanish ambaseador at Berlin reports. avior of the prisoners did not The benevior of the prisoners did not in the least justify the severity of this act of repression, it was declared. The French government, it is in-dicated, is resolved to demand re-paration for this act of the Germans, which will be added to the already long list of occurences of this and similar nature. Partly cloudy today; probably rain dicated.

The fellow with a hard cheek real-

mature occupation of Coblenz is due to the request of the German Suthon-Vienna, Dec. 4. (delayed.)-Allied detachments are sorely needed in the eastern portions of the former Ausities, who are apprehensive of the conditions that might prevail there after the withdrawal of the German forces. This is the first time the Americans have utilized railway trains for

side in the areas of debatable nationtheir advance into the territory from which the Germans have withdrawn. There was typical useless affray The main army continues its advance in the usual manner and last night had reached the general line of feldsdorfau, Mayen, Kloenig and Schwarden. All reports continued to pened to arrive with returning detachindicate that the Germans were withwho drawing in an orderly manner and joined the Hungarians, using machine that the inhabitants of the villages occupied by the Americans were refraining from any antagonistic acts.

also joined the Hungarians and forced It was not expected that there would be any trouble at Coblenz and the appeal by the burgomaster to send troops was denied until it was All this bloodshed would have been stopped by the presence of a few allied supplemented in writing by the retir-

ing military commanders. AMERICANS MARCH ALL

DAY TOWARD COBLENZ

BY HERBERT BAILEY. oil supply. In addition to the larger Special Cable to The Observer From disputes between the states, punitive

(Copyright, 1918, by Public Ledger Co.) The American Army, Dec. 8.-ing all day in the general direction of Coblenz. They have been received everywhere with the usual resigned attitude by the people. The women seem to feel their position more keenly than the men. There are mu averted faces as the troops pass. There are many

The Americans are working in cooperation with the burgomaster of Traves. Inquiry by the Americans reveals there are sufficient food supference will be littered deep with lies in the territory occupied, only Meantime, the disorder and disarray Meantime, the disorder and disarray are inconceivable. Those who are trying to wind up the Austrian em-pire so that new republics may be made at least to know where they they

ADVANCE OF AMERICAN

THIRD ARMY CONTINUES

Washington, Dec. 8 .-- General Pershing's communique for yesterday

said: "Section A-The third American army, continuing its advance into Germany, today reached the general line Rupperath-Boos - Kempernich-Mayen-Greimersburg-Simmern-Kellenbach. -"Section B-There is nothing to re-

OFFER OF MEDIATION

Santiago, Chile, Saturday, Dec. 7. The council of ministers has under consideration the offer of the United States of mediation in the question of the provinces of Tacna and Arica, in dispute with Peru. The ministers will confer on Sunday on this subject with the committee of foreign affairs of the senate and chamber of com-merce. Opinion in the Congress ap-pears to be divided as to the proce-dure to be employed, but all seem agreed that a difficult solution would be speedily reached.

A. Santiago dispatch Saturday re-A Santiago dispatch Saturday re-ported the tender of the officer of mediation by the United States by Joseph H. Shea, the American am-bassador, it was also indicated by Buenos Aires advices that the United States had made known to Argentina that the Washington government would be willing to offer intervention in the Chilean-Peruvian controversy iontic with American in the Chilean States and controversy jointly with Argentina, it was ad-dressed that President Irigoyen had accepted the invitation and instructed the diplomatic agents of Argentina in Chile and Peru to this effect.

Forward. The so to pierce the lines, whereupon the order to fire was given. Besides the wounded, several were badly hurt, rushing through broken show windows seeking cover.

group of soldiers stormed the A group of soldiers stormed editorial rooms of Karl Liebkned newspaper and attempted to destroy the plant. Frustrated in their raid on the newspaper office by govern-ment orders, the soldiers then at-tempted to arrest the members of The executive committee of the soldiers' and workmen's council, the soldiers apparently laboring under the misapprehension that their officer had been ordered by the government to make the arrest.

Meeting is Held.

This occurred at the same hour as the clash between the government troops and the Spartacus insurgents. troops and the Spartacus Insurgents. The executive committee was holding a meeting in the former Prussian house of deputies. The chamber was invaded by the armed forces and a demand made for the surrender of the council of twenty-eight. In the name of the Ebert-Haase government. Beonle's Commissioner Barth and People's Commissioner Barth, also is a member of the commission. faced the invaders with a challenge

for their authority. Meanwhile, inquiry was made at government headquarters and resulted in the detention of the leaders of the insurgent forces, who were armed with hand weapons and flame thrown with hand weapons and fiame throw-ers, for the purpose of establishing responsibility for the attempted revo-lution. It developed that the men-had been invited by unattached offi-cers to meet at a given hour at the Brandenburg gate for the purpose of raiding and overthrowing the soldiers' and workmen's committee. as man and workmen's committee, as a action, they were told, was demand in the interest of the Ebert-Haar government and furthermore that it was certain to meet with public ap-

was certain to meet with public ap proval. Raid Proved Finsco. The raid proved a complete finance as did also a similar attempt an hou-later, which apparently was planned by Dr. Liebknecht's followera as i was announced at their meetings. Testerday ovening Berlin foot guards and sailors marched to the former chancellor's house and calle-out Premier Ebert, who made speech urging the men to keep the military units intact for the purpose of responding to hurry calls. Pre-mier Ebert was cheered as the comin president of the German republic. H modestly declined to seriously con-sider the proposition, urging that the cabinet for the present was concerned in problems of immediate urgency such as the food situation and de mobilization.

The streets tonight are dem the university is closed, as its is ings on the Unter Den Linden beeh requisitioned for the purpo quartering troops there. mobilization.

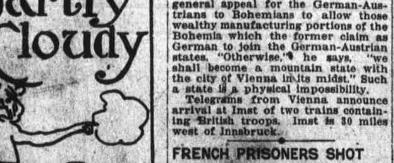
GERMAN MINISTER MADE TO RESIGN BY "REDS

Munich, Saturday, Dec. 7, crowd of armed soldiers last m went to the residence of the mi-ter of interior and after forcing entrance, demanded the minin resignation, which he conceded. Revolutionists also stormed newspaper offices except ont. 7 withdrew several hours last at earnest request of the laws premier. Kurt Elener, who but

earnest request of t premier, Kurt Eisner,

to the scene, Herr Aeur, the minister ignation was demanded, two minutes to decide a f a ro

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