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That There is grave Danger of Break Between United General Haig Promoted-States and Germany if Peace Fails, No Secret in Washington Officialdom-Germany Probably Take That Into Consideration as Well as Growing restiveness of Her People-Entente Alles Left Loophole for Germany, Think Those Close to Situation

(Py the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 1 .- That the hint to the neutrals that the "time was opportune to act" toward peace, was conveyed to the neutral capitals by American diplomati abroad at the suggestion of this government, became known today. It was not in the form of a second note. but "instructions" were sent to American representatives

Washington, Jan. 1 .- The life or death of the present peace movement rests wholly in the hands of Germany. This is known positively to be the belief of Washington efficialdom. Furthermore, while the administration officials believe the Entente Allies left a loophole for Gercomy to prove the sincerity of her original peace propa sals, they believe the peace negotiations are a little farther off than at the start of the movement. It is known this government feels that Germany must more frankly declare herself on terms if it is to keep alive the peace no cotiations' sentiment among the Allie.1 heads.

That Germany may do this in confidence is deemed possible by the officials for the following reasons: Because of the conviction that if peace does not come. Germany and the United States will be drawn to the verge of a break, owing to the submarine activities; their fear that the German p. ople,

already restive, will demand greater representation in their government, and either a more vigorous persuit of the war or a more determined effort for peace.

No secret is made here of the danger of a break with Germany . Whether this will influgnce Germany in the next peace

step is to be seen.

CHARGE GERMANY KNEW OF PEACE NOTES AHEAD OF SENDING.

That Germany learned in advance of President Wilson's intention to send peace notes to the helligerents, and that Geemany, therefore, hurriedly dispatched the German ponce preposals to make it appear that the President was backing Germany's peace plans, was the statement made in French and British diplomatic circles today.

Berlin, Jan. 1.-The general impression of the Entente's swer to the German offer is that it is verbore, but neverVen Buelow Back In Diplomatic Service, Appears. German "Nutcracker" Is Working Nicely, Said

(By the United Press)

London, Jan. 1-The cutter "Protector" was blown up, according to Lloyd's dispatches. The number lost s unknown.

With the British in France-(By imms)-The advent of 1917 finds he British line gradually extending outhward more and more. Today

England's mammoth expeditionary p orce is ready to answer any call. General Heig, the British comconder in chief of the expeditionary o re, has been elevated to be field "usial of England. BIE BATTLE MONDAY

Geneva, Jan. 1.-General Von Eueow who was last reported as German omnancies of the forces helow Pel-

rism, is said to have arrived in Carranzaistas Had Been " 'reland with a complete relate of recretaries, according to reints here Nutcatckers" Working Nicely.

Linhan Jan. 1 .- The Ninth Gerand may has jushed back the Rus-

o-Representation forces to a point half and "edween Rimnley Sarat and Fohoati The Germon Danube army as thrown Russians back to Bridgewal of Cenila and in Dobrudja the ferman-Bulgarian troops have al- biggest battle in point of nost popul up the Russian Bridgetend potions at Macin, it is official regained power in the law.

ially at nounced. BRIDGEN CULTIVATING THE SAVING HABIT SUCCESSFULLY

(in the United Press) Franktick, Ill., Jan. 1.- Successful. inancier are hereby advised to keep me eve on several hundred school it's here who are showing considerable addity in making their bank the first station on the railroad line when have two cents where only one north of Santa Reallia, according to

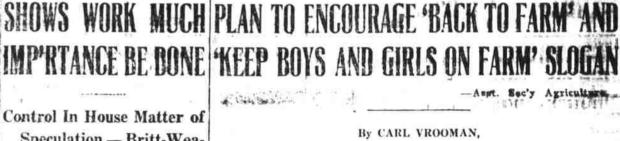
ent stoud before.

THE FREE PRESS Too Late for Saturday's Paper, Making First Announcement of Definite Refusal of the Allies to Enter Peace Conference.

Washington, 4 P. M., Dec. 30, 1916 .- France and her Allies formally refuse to enter peace negotiations with Germany, without knowledge of the Teutonic terms. In a collective reply handed the neutral diplomats here, the Allies express resentment at an attempt to throw on them the responsibility for war. They also resent claims of Teutonic victory. Germany's proposals declated "more like war maneuver than peace offer."

ber Troops Engaged

By the linite! Press)



GLANCE AT CONGRE'S 'LEAVE THE FARMER A 'PROFIT' IS

Speculation - Britt-Weaver Controversy May Decide-Review of What Has Been Done

(By the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 1 .- The shor session of the Sixty-fourth Congress is on the last lap of a whirlwind tace. Following is a review on what has been accomplished and something of what remains to be done. These, measured by public interest, are the most important legislative tasks accomplished by the Sixtyfourth Congress:

The Army and Navy bills carrying appropriations of gigantic sums, ong slep towards preparedness.

Establishment of Federal Reserve the to eliminate danger of finanal panics.

Purchase of Danish West Indies at 1 cost of \$25,000,000, another stride owards preparedness.

Federal Farm Loan Act, of great Sent to Stop Villaistas mered to farmers and intended to it them in securing necessary capi-But Were Overpowered I at a fair rate of interest.

By Bandits-Large Num-Federal Good Roads Law, provides 375,000,000 to be used in improving lational highways.

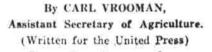
> Ve feral Trade Commission, a "goetween" in matters between the this and cornorations

Ll Paso, Jan. 1.-In the Workmen's Compensation; Ship "crehase Act, a movement toward a numbers engaged, since Vilreal merchant marine; Child Labor

Railway legislation looms up as orth of Mexico, the Villahe hignest piece of unfinished busiistas today decisively de-Strenuous efforts are being feated a column of governmode to rush the railway program ment troops sent by Generthrough during the present short sea d Murguia to halt the on of Congress.

The council practices bill providnorthward progress of banhe for publicity of campaien fundas another important bill up for a The battle occurred at LaCruse, welly consideration.

> The ligeship bill, which would releve from service judges reaching



Washington, Jan. 1.- A popular magazine some months ago sent a letter to all our Senators and Congressmen, asking them what, in their opinion, would help most to keep the boys on the farm. A certain Senator, noted for terseness of speech and horse-sense, wrote, bottom of the page an answer of five words, commend to all American citizens as being adapte solve more agricultural problems than this one. The Senator's reply was:

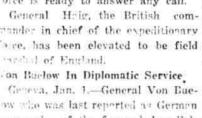
"Make farming profitable, by--:"

The prosperity of the farmer is to the business world what soil fertility is to the agricultural world, the fundamental basis of all permanent success. Many farmers in the past have made the mistake of thinking that they could get rich by skinning the coil, and many business men likewise have made the mistake of thinking that they could get rich by skinning the farmer. The only way that the farmer can make a permanent success of farming is to keep the fertility of the soil, and the only way that the business world can be permanently successful is to insure the continued prosperity of the farmer.

The use of legume crops has been advocated ever since the days of the Roman Empire, and probably long before that, because they not only were paying crops, but had the added advantage of gathering from the air and depositing in the soil more nitrogen than they expected. The legume should be the model for every intelligent business man in his dealings with the farmer.

When a banker loans a farmer money, he should loan it to him at a rate of interest and for the kind of investment that will enable the farmer not only to pay back his loan, but to gain for howself a margin of profit. The railway manager mbp makes rates for the farmer for shipping fortilizer and other merchandise to the farmer, and for shipping the farmer's produce to market, should make a rate that will leave the farmer a margin of profit. The middl men who handle the farmer's produce should endeavor to get him such prices and should charge him only such commissions as will leave the farmer a margin of profit. In the long run, it is only thus that the banks, the railroads and the commission men can insure their own profits.

If the leaders of the business world will lay this leason to heart; if on New Year's Day throughout this country they will take the legume as their model, and the words "Leave the farmer a margin of profit" as their motto, it will do more to increase production and reduce the high cost of living, it will do more to keep the boy and the girl on the farm, it will de more to create an invisible national efficiency and to push for ward the work of national preparedness, than any other single step that can be taken.



theless a flat refusal to end the war, declared the official press bureau.

LAWSON CALLS HENRY'S **BLUFF AND COMES DOWN**

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 1 .--- Thomas W. Lawson wired Chairman Henry of the Rules Committee of the House that he would be at the Shoreham Hotel this afternoon to answer any questions he, Henry, wants to ask him regarding the peace note leak. Mr Henry refused to say whether he would call on Lawson.

ARTIST "COMES BACK" AFTER 34 YEARS WITH BUST OF KHITCHENER.

London, Dec. 10-(By mail)-Richard Belt, artist, came back after 34 years of retirement due to illness and modelled a bust of Lord Kitchener, so lifelike that he was offered \$50,000 for it. Art is priceless to Belt, however and his masterpiece has been claimed by the Government. A cannon from the British artille:y has been set aside to make the casting.

Bolt's last previous work was a bust many garments, and enjoying a florof Sir Richard Burbridge which the al festival possible only in Sunny Academy refused to accept. Shortly California at this season after the refusal he lost the power The floral parade at 10:30 today Rranz Kuhn today automotacilly be- the police are working. They expect of one arm and gave up his work. will find thousands at points of van-

The artist was one of Kitchener's tage along the line of march for the worshippers and studied the great procession of beauteous splendor. Kuhn is the youngest man to act as soldier's moods. When England was Roses, violets, carnations, geranistunned by Kitchener's loss Bolt and ums-all products of Southern Calihis wife improvised a secret studio fornta's outdoor winter-will be in their home and the sculptor be- massed and banked in every conceiv- 70,000 NEEDLESS DEATHS gan work anew to express in clay what able form in scores of floats; myriwas in his finger tips. ads of blossoms will be showered up-

Critical art committees judged the on the spectators by pretty girls in model to be a faithful and lifelike filmy costumes; and school children, babeis and 20,000 mothers die annurepresentation of Kitchener contem- marching clubs, bands and other or- ally in the United States because of plative, combining his severe facial ganizations will add their share to improper care at childbirth, said Dr. lines with some hint of his genial na- to this midwinter festival of flow- Joseph B. Lee to club women here ers.

SELF NEW CLOSE COUNTRY IUN RECORD TODAY (By the bailed Press) Fay Wranciss, Jan. 1 .--- With as

ist a field of longitudance runners as ing ever been assombled here pre-\$65.060.660 WORTH FOOD YEAR . H circl to start in the modified marahor once here today, nony sport fans uperied to see the new year's birthisy relebrated by a new record for 7 and a half mile?, c:o-s country. Geo. M. Wycoff, Chicago distance runger, and the two California chamlang-Oliver Millard and Bobby iale moral destructiveness which Vlumht, are picked for possible recold performances. The race starte at the Feery Eailding, takes a course brough the city, cuts through Gold-

en Cate nark, and eads near the Sea! CERCAGO BURGLARS WENT Ricks. AFTER BIG GAME IN 1916

TOURNAMENTS OF ROSES

AT PASADENA MONDAY Pasadena, Cal., Jan. L.- The Tourmont of Roses, Pasedena's beauti-

ful and unique midwinter fote, was here to lay showed. he big attraction for New Year's loy, and thousands from every state

in the union are here, clad in sum-

preme court, under the seniority rule. chief justice of the Michigan court

Chicago, Jan. 1 .- Fifty thousand USUAL GAME OF GOLF today.

consta obtained by the Chi's waraen here placed their States authorities here today. hild on on an allowance of from

Said to Have Killed Young

Model Account Jealousy.

Surprise Promised When

(By the United Press)

Philadebhia, Jan. 1.--A

icalous fiend, known as a

(By the United Press)

Washington, Jan. 1-The Pres-

ident began the New Year with

his customary game of golf.

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erts, a young model.

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5 cents to \$2 a week. In three nonthe they have accumulated bank

alunces that total \$9,000, beside where school supplies and some dothing out of their allowances.

CRICACO RATS EAT

Chicago, Jan. 1.-1* costs the United States \$65,000,200 a tear to feed the rots in this country, neco, ang to Health Commissioner Roberton taday. This is for food consumed by the rolent; and does not in-

Arrest is Made and Anemounts into a hig figure. Dr. Robrtion of a city or linance renounced rui ing rat-mooling of all buildings.

(By the United Press) Chicago, J.m. 1.-Burglars did few- speciessful business man in

er jobs, but got more loot than in Philad lphia and New York. former years, the 1916 report subwitted by Chief of Police Healey the murderer of Grace Rob- ties.

MICHIGAN'S YOUNGEST CHIEF JUSTICE TAKES OFFICE through her cafe life th one man

all other admirers and then brutally

(By the United Press) Lansing Mich., Jan. 1 .- Justice slew her. That is ground on which

came chief justice of the state su- a surprising arrest within 24 hc rs.

in the history of the state. He is by,

ANNUALLY IN THE U.S. PRESIDENT PLAYED

the age of seventy after ten years' ervice, and who by reason of physical disability are unable properly to discharge their duties, also is to set or early hearing.

The fate of the immigration bill,

rote.

with the literacy test attached, which ras recently passed by the Senate, hard to predict. President Wilson retoed a similar bill. It is rumored

an effort will be made to pass the id over any possible veto.

Woman suffrage and national prohibition have been reported by the Bryant Taylor. Mr. Rhem will begin House committee, but it is impossible to say when either bill will reach a

Other important measures due for session was rather a length; one, early consideration are: the water- and routine matters occupied the nower bill, having to do with the morning and a considerable portion leasing of power sites on inland wa- of the afternoon session. The board terways; the flood-prevention bill, is scheduled to elect a road superincarrying appropriations of millions tendent to succeed the late Bryant | broken glass. She suffered a pair for flood prevention along the Mis- Taylor and possibly fill several minor sissippi and Sacramento rivers, and places. No action had been taken on the Webb export bill, which would these appointments when press permit combination of American ex- time came. It is understood that son of Mr. T. R. Rouse of LaGrance porters for participation in foreign there are a number of applicants for trade in an effort to meet competi- the road superintendency but Chairis being sought by police as tion at the end of European hostili- man Churchill declined to indicate

The line-up of Republicans and

Democrats losing one and reducing

The line-up of the House is still doubt. The result of the fight be- of whisky and a half case of beer ng made in North Carolina by Britt, will be the total amount of intoxi-Republican and Weaver, Democrat, cants permitted a family in Colorado may decide the question of the ma- for one month's consumption if the jority in the lower branch of Con- dry forces of the State succeed in

gress.

HUGO VOTES SPECIAL TAX.

Contentnea Neck Township, in Under the present law, unlimited which is located the Hugo School, quantities of liquor may be imported voted favorably on a special tax, for personal use. which was submitted to the natrons The reasonable success of the laws Saturday, December 30. The returns of North Carolina is generally quotwere canvassed by the County Board ed as a basis for introduction of simof Education Monday when it met ilar laws in the legislature of the in regular session

FRANK RHEM CHOS'N ROID FIRED INTO NORFOLK SUPERINTENDENT MONDAY SOUTHERN TRAIN

Frank Rhem, the well-known cqt-Friday night ton weigher, was Monday chosen by passenger train.

the County Commissioners Road Superintendent, succeeding the late

upon his new dutics at once.

their regular meeting Monday. The

who would be favored by the board or who he would support.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 1 .- One quart

putting through a proposed amendment to the prohibition law at the coming session of the State Legislature.

ton at 7:39, was fired into the ode of LaGrange and several passongers had narrow escapes from death. The The County Commissioners held bullet entered a window on one mide of the train and passed across the coach out through the window oppesite. A woman passenger sitting by the window, through which the ballet entered, was injured from - the ful cut on the ear, and had to have medical attention on anrival Goldsboro. Mr. Emory P. Reuse, was sitting by the window through which the bullet made its exit, and it is said the missile passed within a few inches of his face. Conductor Moore was in charge of the train . He clue so far has been found as to the identity of the culprit, but full pro-

INTOXICANTS IN COLORADO ecution will be given if he is a hended.

IMPORTANT CASES IN **RECORDER'S COURT**

Recorder Wooten went through the formality of calling his court to order Monday morning, but an edjournment was taken immediately on

account of the New Year's hall Several important cases are up during the week. The E Dupree assault cases are set

day and the cases against the brothers and Ed. Sumrell taken up during the we Tuesday. They are ch olating the prohibit

Mountain State.

loved her intanely, grew jealous of their working majority to 13.

Democrats in the Senate will be

1 同字母! O t of scores of men she met slightly altered in the 66th Congress. LIMIT IMPORTATION OF