WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, WE DNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 24.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

INS SUCCEED RESSING RUSS CK IN THE RIGA

Driven Back and a Half Swamp.

OPS MAKE SFUL RAIDS

e Attacks Are of Chilly, On omme, By the

ted Press.) 24.—(via London) per wireless press) n the Riga region il Swamp and the

Successful Raids. Paris, Jan. 4. -French troops made successful raids last night of the Somme and Patrols were unusually active in the Seme region near the

era le activity on the part of our pa-The might passed quietly on remainder of the front.

"Vesterday Guiner brought down his fances near Maurepas, in the Yerdun Two other enemy machines also were brougth to earth, one near Samogneux and the other in Spincourt t. It has been confirmed that on ary 22 a German aeroplane, damthe the of our special aerotrashed to the ground at for if Louvemont.

of the building was struck."

Fighting Renewed.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—(via Sayville)-Renewed fighting has broken out in the Riga region on the Russian front, ficial statement, which reads: "Eastern Front—Front of Prince

Leopold-On both sides of the river As and south of Riga engagements developed which took a course favorable

A withdrawal of Teutonic forces in the region along the Danube, north of Tultcha is announced in today's army headquarters statement, which reads: "Front of Archduke Joseph-During he severe cold prevailing there have een only local lively artillery and adrance guard engagements.

"Army Group of Field Marshall von iackensen—The north bank of the southern arm north of Tultcha has again been abandoned."

The statement reports the situation on the Macedonian front unchanged.

Germans Hit Aviators Who Take Advantage of Clear Weather.

(By Associated Press.) Berlin, Jan. 24. (via Sayville). down yesterday on the Western front, publishers' views. the war office announces. The official eport from the Franco-Belgian war heatre is as follows:

The weather was frosty and exceptionally bright yesterday. Over most of the front the fighting was moderately active. Aviators took advantage of favorable conditions for obsermost of the front the fighting was moderately active. Aviators took advantage of favorable conditions for obser-Vation. In the course of numerous aerial engagements and as a result six aeroplanes.

STIMULATE TRADE WITH FAR EAST.

ssion, composed of business men of confidence. eventually, direct trade routes China improperly.

Stories of Battles in North Sea Come from Holland-Conflicting.

London, Jan. 24. Special dispatches from Holland give stories of repeated attacks the battles between German and pressing back the British destroyers in the North Sea, t a mile and a half but the details which on some points are conflicting, are mostly and avow-

> It seems, however, certain that the mani engagement began about 2 o'clock in the morning and lasted un-

tual damage to the ships refer to the the country the justice of informing State election, were offered in the V-69, which, it is stated, was rammed the people and advising the President House today, and will be urged by by the British ship after being selof our views concerning a policy of Representative Haymore, of Surry usly battered.

that seven to ten German vessels his government? were sunk, but there is nothing con-

It is confirmed that Commander During the same day 16 aeroplanes Boehm, on the V-9, is alive and, acthe British naval aviation force cording to one report, uninjured. It bombarded the blast furnaces of Bur- is stated that he superintended the re- his mind. Why did he owe it to us to sioner of charities in Oklahoma, adbach in the valley of the Saare, which moval of the crew of the destroyer as disclose without reserve the thought dressed a crowded house on prison apparently suffered considerable dam- an examination of the ship proved the and purposes in his mind?" ase, One of our aeroplanes during imposibility of repairing her within number of survivors of the sunken International affairs. British vessel have arrived on the east coast.

the war office announced today. The result of the engagements has been favorable to the Germans, says the of-

All Items of Rivers and Har- ship, Moremac, which arrived hibiting the throwing of refuse in cerbors Bill Is Passed By House.

(By George H. Manning.) Washington, Jan. 24.—All the items & promptly flooded him with a * in the Rivers and Harbors Bill making 🛧 searchlight and shortly after 🕏 appropriations for improvement of Three more warships of similar * North Carolina waterways have been 🗣 type were seen. passed by committee of the whole mittee and will undoubtedly go to the Senate unchanged.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 24.—Frank P. Glass, of Birmingham, vice-president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, today voiced his ob- While One Destroyer Rests jections to restrictions upon newspaper publishers in the Owen Corrupt Practices bill, before a Senate sub-

committee. He said he hoped to have the bill considered by the association at its meeting nevt Friday in Chicago, and British destroyer was sunk and an- * Annabelle Nurnberger .. 137,082 * Six Entente aeroplanes were shot resolutions adopted outlining the

(By Associated Press.) Tokio, Jan. 24.—The majority groups in Parliament opened their campaign against the Terauch admin-Vancouver. B. C., Jan. 24.—The istration today by introducing in the merican Honorary Commerce Com- House of Peers a resolution of lack of

e United States designated by the Vigorous attacks were made on var-Commercial Congress, is jous points in the addresses delivered booked to sail from here tomorrow yesterday by Count Terauchi and Visthe steamship Empress of Russia count Motono, foreign minister. Vis- the sinking of the Dutch steamer Salfor a three months' tour of the prin- count Ishi, former minister of foreign land of 2,232 tons gross, and the Britcipal cities of Japan and China. The affairs, protested against any insinualish steamer Tremeadow, of 2,335 tons dates today and look at the leaders. this in mind until the very last min-which put in in distress at Ymuiden, land of 2,232 tons gloss, and the blind dates today and look at the leaders. The affairs, protested against any insinualish steamer Tremeadow, of 2,335 tons dates today and look at the leaders. purpose of the commission is to stim- tion by the administration that the gross. The crews were landed. the International trade and estab. Okuma cabinet had interfered in The sinking of the Dutch steamer pate in the voting yesterday, with many votes as her opponents? Is she stroyed is reported while a good

Tween China and the United States. Premier Terauchi, replying to his op- ish steamer Neu Quen, of 3,583 tons ling of positions. Miss Callie Wells, holding her own in the race? Have you British boat of this type was observed with the condition of the steamer Neu Quen, of 3,583 tons ling of positions. William her your subscription? It not in a sinking condition of the condition o hambers of Commerce and allied or- ponents, insisted that the nation could gross, is also announced by Lloyds. ganizations designed to foster Inter- be governed by a cabinet which did The crew of the sunken fishing boat largest cast any one day by any canlational trade relations will entertain not have a majority on the Parliament. Ethel, says another Lloyds announcecommission in Yokohoma, Tokio, A resolution was adopted by the Diet ment, landed after 17 hours at sea in place in the honor roll. Reasaki, Hong Kong, Nankin, Shang-expressing sympathy and admiration open boats during zero weather, the Little Loree Rodgers, Wilmington, Monday your subscription will not do day night and the torpedoing of a Steel showing net sales of 15 600 cure a lasting peace."

"the Senate Should Thoroughly Consider Issue."

SAYS WILSON'S PEACE TALK VERY IMPORTANT

President's Reason for Conferring With Senate Explained, "Council - Associated With

(By Associated Press.) ate owed it to the country to set county superintendents. aside time for a full discussion of the The Senate took the measure well issues involved.

to the deck when the boat arrived at mins. "I will do all I can do to hold the election of county boards. Ymuiden that they had been hewn free the debate to the point of issue. What Bills amending the State Constitu-The correspondents report gossip he has told us he is about to commit this character.

According to an aversion, the Ger- President is right or wrong. In either to bring about the same end. mans started from Helgoland with case his communication is the most The House reported favorably the the intention of raiding the British important ever made by a chief exec- bill modifying the capital punishment coast, but were driven back toward utive of the United States. He so re- law, by which trial judges may sen-Flanders, where some took refuge in gards it. The whole country so looks tence prisoners convicted to life imly and boldly and I assume, with all applies to all capital felonies. sincerity, saying that he owed it to

the night of January 23-24, threw down 24 hours. This, of course, implies an dent himself had answered that ques- with the House. She urged many projectiles upon the railroad station intention to intern but nothing official tion when he referred to the Senate measures for better prison conditions; Dun-Sur Meuse. The northern part is obtainable in regard thereto. A as "Council associated with me," in among them more power to the Gov-

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Jan. 24.—Five war & ties are demanding. vessels running without lights and belived to have been British & therefore, called off. * and French cruisers, were sight-♣' ed 30 miles off the mouth of the ♣

ENTENTE PLANES NEWS REPRESENTATIVE BRITISH VESSEL SUNK BY TEUTONS

On Bottom Another Is Sinking.

(Ily Associated Press.) Berlin, Jan. 24 (Via London).—One | * Mary C. Hewlett 137,435 * other was observed to be in a sinking | * Maude Ivey 137,067 * condition in the North Sea naval en- | * Callie Wells 136,850 * gagement, the admiralty announces. | * Mamie Baldwin 136,622 * One German torpedo boat put in at | * Loree Rodgers 136,235 * Ymudin in a damaged condition. The | * Iola Ivey 136,093 * others returned with slight damage.

At Terauchi Men THREE STEAMERS

Besides Two Dutch and One | * ant must turn in at least one * results between now and next Mon- entente lost six airplanes. Three English Craft, Fishing Boat Is Also Sunk.

London, Jan. 24.—Lloyds announces

Right or Wrong," He Says, Looks Like State Senate Going

to Vote for Election of School Boards.

STANDPATTERS HAD TO TAKE WATER

Caucus Scheduled for Tonight Has Been Postponed—The House Fears Woman Social Reformer.

(Special to The Dispatch.) Raleign, N. U., Jan. 24.—the stand-Washington, Jan. 24.—Opening de- patters in education surrendered to bate on his resolution for a week's the Insurgents today, when they calldiscussion in the Senate of President; ed off the caucus for Wednesday night Wilson's peace address, Senator Cum- and presented, through Senator Tur- plate factory in Alabama, particularly mins said the President's suggestions ner, the commission bill now favored in the Birmingham district, and at were the most important ever made by State Superintendent Joyner, nam- Rome, Ga., will be inspected by the SURMISES PLAN FOR A edly derived from hearsay and not by a chief executive of the United ing a central body to elect county board designated by Secretary Dan-States and, right or wrong, the Sen-school beards, who, in turn, will elect lies, on a tour which will begin prob-

into the afternoon and, after long dis- not been definitely decided upon, but "It will be observed that the reso-cussion as to deferring it, voted by tentative plans indicate it will go first til about 7 o'clock. It was fought in lution does not invite nor even prop- 23 to 22 to postpone action until Wed- to Alabama and Georgia, returning intense darkness while the severity erly permit a discussion at this time nesday of next week. That looks through the southwest and Kentucky of the cold can be judged from the of the soundness or unsoundness of much like a show down, and the de- and Tennessee. Later a second tour fact that eight corpses on the V-69, the purposes announced in the Presi- feat of that measure as a substitute will be made through North Carolina the German flagship, were so frozen dent's address," said Senator Cum- for the present system. It means also and Middle Western States.

is it? It is this: Ought the Senate tion and providing for 1918 elections Practically all the details of ac- on some day in the near future do to repeal the four adopted at the last the most vital importance, to which Clayton also presented a measure of

it was announced by leaders in the "For the proper discussion of the opposition that they would substitute resolution, it matters not whether the a constitutional convention next year

upon it, and foreign nations so accept prisonment or to the electric chair in it. He has come to the Senate frank-the court's discretion. The measure

Miss Kate Barnard, prison reformus to disclose to us the purpose in er and for two terms State commisreforms today, the Senate having Senator Cummins said the Presi- declined to invite her or to sit jointly ernor to keep his hand upon prison

The Senate debated until a late the state of the s viding for a central commission, which will appoint county boards and last night. rather than elect them as many coun-

The Wednesday night caucus is, What appeared to be a purely fish

bill turns out a menace to the paper Chesapeake Bay Monday night by imill of Roanoke Rapids, if opponents officers of the American steam- of Representative Joyner's act prohere from Cuba. Captain Bever- tain eastern streams near Halifax and idge said he first saw cruisers Northampton are sure of their conwhen he nearly ran one of them tention. The Joyner bill was recomdown. She had four funnels. An- mitted today and it will be heard would destroy the mill.

WHO WILL WIN

THE AUTOMOBILES?

LEAI INVESTIGAORS POS PONE MEETING NOWINDEFINITELY

ARMOR PLATE MENKING'S PAPER SAYS Members of Committee to Hold Meeting Some Time WILL VIEW SITES WILSON'S MESSAGE N. Y. COTTON EXCHANGE

Visit N. C.

(Py Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 24.—Proposed sites for the \$11,000,000 government armor ably next week.

The board's complete itinerary has

With Camp Equipment Load ed, Men Mark Time Await-, ing Formai Order.

(By Associated Press.) Grandes today.

message added.

Nothing was said about the arrival designed for them by the President. of the El Valle, San Joaquin and Chartary headquarters today that these nition, limitation and adaptation to sales. sales.

Should in the afternoon the education troops were believed to have reached changed conditions and new instru- Representative Chiperfield of Illi-

"BETH STEEL" DECLINES AFTER "MELON-CUT."

(By Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 24.—Bethlehem Steel's response at the opening of today's market to yesterday's "meloncutting" of the directors, this included a 200 per cent dividend, was a decline of 5 points to 425 on a sale of 100 shares. The balance of the list other vessel some distance away again. Promoters of the paper mill was irregular on moderate dealings, say that the prohibition of that refuse price-changes in most of the active issues being only fractional.

After Trip to Alabama and IS VERY WPORTANT Georgia, Board To

Guardian Asks If President Feels That Kaiser Is Ready To Give Up.

There Are Reasons Why today, will hold a meeting in Washing-Meet With Wilson or Any- hearings here. one Else, It Is Added. (By Associated Press.)

Guardian in a further long editorial on a new request for submission of on President Wilson's speech declares specific records to the committee. out victory," the Guardian asks:

that Germany feels herself to be at | "I think they all realize," prepared to concede all the other are going to respond will respond as terms which, with no less emphasis, quickly as possible." he declares to be essential if the "Have you any reason to believe United States is to join in guarantee-that any of the members will assume ing the resulting peace?"

Juarez, Mex., Jan. 24.—American peace which the President had in Whipple, the committee's counsel. troops at field headquarters at Colonia mind clearly implies the surrender by Dublan were marking time last night the Central powers of their territorial awaiting the formal order to start for conquests and the liberation of sub-they will give their cordial assistance Columbus, N. M., according to official ject populations. It considers, how-to the committee?' messages received here from Cases ever, that some changes on the war map or other compelling influences

are reasons why Great Britain should examining Noble. not meet and discuss the whole mat-

as the size and efficiency of subma-another. Chiperfield interrupted. rine merchant men increase and the "Mr. Chairman," he said, "I don't warfare develops.

While it does not think these factors are reasons for surrendering any ed defiantly at Whipple. The latter, valuable rights, it regards them as and settle the general question of man and the witness. "If I impugned the right tao attack and estroy merchant ships as claimed and exercised by the Central powers in the present Mr. Chairman?"

War Summary

swered Until Judges Will her among the "top-notchers," after southern estuary of the Danube, north Chairman Henry explained that he being so far down in the list. of Tultcha, in Dobrudja, occupation of did not think Mr. Whipple intended to Miss Mamie Baldwin, Wilmington, which was announced in yesterday's impugn the statement of the witness. Announced Their Deci- deposited 33,700 votes yesterday, and German report. Today's statement Mr. Whipple said if it was thought as a result, occupies sixth place apparently indicated withdrawal of he had impugned Mr. Noble he would among the leaders. Miss Baldwin has the Bulgarians to their former posi-apologize. not been on the honor roll since Jan- tion south of the estuary.

> is first; Miss Mary C. Hewlett, Wil- nian campaign. Extreme cold weath- erfield's closing comment. mington, is second; Miss Annabelle er is interfering with operations in the Whipple then said that he did not Moldavian mountain region and there desire to examine the witness further. have been only skirmishes and artil- Most of Nobles' direct testimony and Miss Iola Ivey, Lumberton, is lery engagements along that front. was in regard to securities withdrawn The end of The Dispatch contest is the Russian front, where a renewal of of its scarcity on the market is usualdrawing near and the question is be- the fighting is reported by Berlin. ly withdrawn. He also admitted that ing asked: "Who will win?" Many This was forecast by yesterday's an- "short" dealing in narrowly held predictions have been made about ev- nouncement of the resumption of in- stocks was dangerous because of the ery candiate entered, but all is con-tense artillery fire in that region. The inability of speculators to borrow it. jecture. Who the winners will be no Berlin account of the progress of the Representative Bennett wanted to one will know until the contest closes fighting simply declares that it took know if Bethlehem Steel was not an

On the Franco-Belgian front the pro- the kind which was dangerous for out * cent of all money turned in by *, The prizes are going to be award- nounced activity of raiding detacn- of town speculators to deal in because

* work up until the close of the * candiates are going to win automo- Somme, and patrol operations in the ample because there was always plen-* contest, and in order to receive * biles, and they will be the ones who Woevre district. Berlin reports nuty of the stock in circulation. * a ten per cent award, a contest- * | will work the hardest and get the best merous air engagements in which the German machines were brought down held abroad to escape taxation. * day or Monday, the last two * All candidates should endeavor to on the entrenched front, Paris an-

that hey will be sure it cannot be! The German admiralty's report tobeaten. Most of the candidates are day of the torpedo craft engagement making records in vote-getting, and in the North Sea declares only one of Look at the standing of the candi- you should be doing the same. Bear the German craft, a torpedo boat, Holland, was more than slightly dam-Zeta, of 3,053 tons gross, and the Brit- the result that there is a grand shift- many votes as her opponents? Is she stroyer is reported, while a second Willard, deposited 95,500 votes, the given her your subscription? If not, in a sinking condition after the enof the entire contest. After next man destroyer in an encounter on Mon- "leak" is alleged to have occurred. British destroyer, with the loss of 45 Steel showing net sales of 15,600

This Week to Set Date.

WILL GIVE UP BOOKS

President of Exchange Says Members Will Probably Be Ready With Their Books By Tomorrow or Day After.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 24.—The House Rules Committee today decided to adjourn its New York hearing on the RETURN OF TERRITORY "leak" investigation for an indefinite period. Members of the committee, who planned to return to Washington Great Britain Should Not ton some time later in the week to decide when they shall resume the

Announcement of this plan came while the committee still was in session with representatives of the New London, Jan. 24.—The Manchester York Stock Exchange trying to agree

that it considers it a state document H. G. S. Noble, president of the of teh first importance, drawn with New York Stock Exchange, told the the utmost care and demanding a House Rules Committee this morning careful and deliberate consideration, that the first responses from members In regard to the phrase "peace with- to the request for a record of their transactions in December might be ex-"Has the President reason to know pected by tomorrow or the day after.

this moment so far beaten as to be!"that speed is desired, and those who

the responsibility of not complying The Guardian surmises that the with the request?" asked Sherman L. The witness said he knew of none.

"If any individual members decline All camp equipment was loaded and appear indispensable before the Teu- to accede to the request," remarked the men had their kits packed, the tonic Allies will be willing to agree to the attorney, "the task of finishing the the arrangement The Guargian sees matter will remain with the commit-

Regarding the freedom of the seas | The attorney then resumed his excos outpost troops at field headquart- the Guardian considers that as a com- amination of Noble on stock market ers, but it was said at Mexican mili- mercial blockade is a question of defi- methods, particularly about "short"

Colonia Dublan yesterday efternoon ments of modern naval warfare there nois, criticised Whipple's methods of

During examination of Noble reter with President Wilson, or any garding the retiring of securities from other representative of a neutral the market, attorney and witness failed to agree on interpretation of a pool. It believes that the value of a block- Whipple then asked Noble if he had ade is likely to diminish in proportion not had one thing in mind and said

menace of long distance submarine think the statement of the witness ought to be impugned." Chiperfield, apparently excited, star-

seemingly disturbed, paused for a reasons for a willingness to discuss moment and then addressed the Chairmaritime war; especially including the statement of the witness, I certainly did not intend to," he said. "Do you think I impugned the witness, "I want it in the record," Chiperfield

declared emphatically, "that I object. "I want to say that now so that some day I can make a comment which I desire to make. As an individual member of the committee, I am going to follow certain lines without regard Question Will Not Be An- roll. Miss Rodgers cast 66,000 votes. Apparently the Bulgarians were not to counsel or the rest of the commit-

"I want to say that I, for one, am This is the only important move-impressed with the spirit of co-oper-

Attention again is turned to the from the list. He said that stock in Riga region on the northern end of which there is little dealing because

Representative Chiperfield also wanted to know if stocks were ever "Not to my knowledge," replied

By devoting their entire time to gathering the information the committee desires, Streit said the brokers' clerks could furnish it in two or three days. He did not think that experts unfamiliar with the books could make much speed.

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Streit produced copies of a clearing house sheet, showing the transaction

Pekin, and other principal cities for the efforts of the Allies "to se- whole crew suffering from exposure did something in a voting way, and her a bit of good. moves into seventh place in the hohor and exhaustion.

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES.

* Blanche Surles 137,537 *

Have Counted Votes and

All active candidates who do *

* receive a cash award of ten per * cisions. * new subscription either Satur- * day night. # days of the contest.

All of the active candidates partici- ute.

Miss Blanche Surles, Proctorville, ment that has occurred in the Ruma- ation of these gentlemen," was Chip-Nurnberger, Wilmington, is third; Miss Maude Ivey, Clarkton, is fourth;

* not win one of the prizes will * and the judges have given their de- a course favorable to the Germans. example of a barrowly held stock of

* them during the contest for new * ed. Will you be among the winners? ments is being continued. * subscriptions. An active candi- * You can, by putting forth your best The French report mentions suc-the thing the difference of the di

make their reserve vote so strong nounces.

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