MC 2035 POOR DOCUMENT The Brening Times 4 Star VOL XIII. No. 103 ST. JOHN N. B., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1917 TWELVE PAGES-ONE CENT Another Tense Day Of Waiting For Decision Wilson Has Said Nothing FORTY DIE AS GAS EXPLODES THE NIGHTMARE As Yet To Germany IN CHICAGO TENEMENT No Communication Sent, Says GERMANS NEED Twenty-Four Flats in House and Sixteen of Lansing; Silent as to Orders NOT HOPE FOR A Them Occupied—Mercury 10 Below as Tenants Rush Into Street Scantily Clad to Gerard FINAL VICTORY Chicago, Feb. 2 .- Forty persons are believed to be dead and as many are What President Has Decided Upon May njured as the result of a gas explosion and fire that wrecked a tenement building at 813-23 14th Place, in the heart of the west side early today. Be Made Known to Cabinet This French Marine Minister Not Injured persons and residents, forced from their homes scantily fered miserably in a temperature of ten degrees below zero and the cold hin-Afternoon-Various Phases of the Worried Over NewCampaign dered the work of firemen and rescuers. Burning gas from a main prevented search of the ruins and at daybreak only two bodies had been recovered-those Situation of an unidentified man about fifty years old, who was crushed when walls crum bled, and Mrs. Charlotte Stitaley. The explosion was heard for miles and by some freak of the shock build-Washington, Feb. 2 .- The new submarine crisis self into another day of waiting

row the American people may know what course their ernment has decided upon to answer Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine warfare. President Wilson and the limited few who know his plans continued their silence today, but it was expected that this afternoon the cabinet would be informed of what steps have been taken or are proposed. NO WORD YET TO GERMANY.

Washington, Feb. 2-Secretary of State Lansing today authorized the statement that so far no communication had been sent to Germany.

The secretary refused to say whether any instructions had been sent to Am bassador Gerard and declined to make any statement as to the delay in an-

nouncing the course of the United States. Secretary Lansing said he was unprepared to disclose whether or not any

announcement would be made today.

Some Speculation.

Washington, Feb. 2—United States action in reply to Germany's proclama-tion has been definitely determined by Brasident Wilcon account of the boot in President Wilson, according to official belief here today. What the course is, or when it will be announced remains ON THE ALERT

or when it will be announced remains undisclosed. The White House and State depart-ment maintain strict secrecy, as on form-er occasions when a note had been departed to Berlin and its receipt there way waited before announcing its con-tents here. Many officials believed an nouncing intention to break diplomatic relations if American rights are vio-lated by an act of a submarine, or actur-ally severing relations forthwith. An outline of the president's decision at the cabinet meeting today was be-lieved probable and Chairman Stone of the senate foreign relations committee, cxpected to see the president this after noon. CHANCELLOR UNMASKED I London, Feb. 2.—The Times says that there is nothing surprising in the Ger-man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely "the logical application of the senate foreign relations committee, cxpected to see the president this after noon. CHANCELLOR UNMASKED I London, Feb. 2.—The Times says that there is nothing surprising in the Ger-man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely "the logical application of the senate foreign and its after man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely "the logical application of the senate to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely." The logical application of the senate to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely." The logical application of the senate to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely. The logical application of the senate the logical application of the admirally referred the ware that the same calm there is nothing surprising in the Ger-man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely. The logical application of today there is nothing surprising in the Ger-man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merel London, Feb. 1 .- Sir Edward Carson,

war. It contends that the communica- At New York

man note to those who are nearest the war. It contends that the communica-tion is merely "the logical application of principles upon which Germany has acted from the outset, namely, necessity haves no law." The Times sees in the speech of Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg a proof that his real attitude on the submarine question has been con-sistent throughout although in his deal-ing with the United States "he has some times sacrificed principles to expedi-ency." "He now proclaims," says the Times, "that he was always ready to adopt ruthless U-boat war as soon as it seem-ed likely to bring Germany victorious peace. So he flings aside the pretense of humanity unclously affected in his for the malone to take the grav deci-sion that these insolent demands re-guire." In Spain

. . .

Says France is Not Worried by the German Declaration and Same Calm as Before is Maintained By All

Paris, Feb. 2-Rear-Admiral Lacasse; ninister of marine, speaking in the Senate yesterday, declared that only one-half of one per cent. of all the tonnage which entered French ports during the last eleven months have been sunk by German submarines. He said that this percentage might be a little higher in the

future, but that no efforts of the Ger-| man raider in the South Atlantic. The mans could prevent the final victory of Admiral LaCasse spoke in reply to an interpellation by Senator D'Estournelles De Constant in regard to the responsibility of the government in the submar-ine warfare. Senator D'Estournelles criticised the administration for allowing

the Germans to take hand in the submar-ine campaign. In his reply, Admiral

British squadron.

MORE STEAMERS SUNK

AMETHYST BEATS OFF ATTACK

and civilians all maintain the same calm ment. before the horrible crimes of our

London, Feb. 2-The Norwegian steamer Portia, of 1,127 tons gross, has been sunk, Lloyd's shipping agency an- He Does Not Deny Truth of Reounces. The crew was landed. The Russian steamer Egret, 2,599 tons net, struck a mine January 28, and is a total loss. the agency reports.

lost.

available shipping records.

make us its powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs and so we curred in Quebec and the maritime prov-test. The powerless slavs are powerless slavs and so we can be powerless and the powerless slavs are powerless. The powerless slavs are powerless and the powerless slavs are powerless and the powerless slavs are powerless. The powerless slavs are powerless are pow

THEY'RE TRYING TO ECONOMIZE ON COAL wish to decide for it, but, since the since the back to their senses we disputed in the since the since the back to their senses we the since the back to their senses we the since the back to their senses we the since the back to their sense we the since the back to their sense we the since the back to their sense we the since the back to the sense the since the back to the sense the since the back to the sense we the sense the back to the sense we the since the back to the sense we the sense the back to the sense the sense the back to the sense the sense the back to the sense t

ings a few yards away were undamaged while windows were broken many klocks farther distant. Hundreds of Hebrews, Lithunian, Polish and Russian enants of the district rushed into the street scantily clad. The explosion wrecked one end of the tenement building, which contained twenty-four flats, sixteen of which were occupied.

SOME ALIVE ?

Firemen attacking the ice-covered wreckage penetrated through the outer crust at 10 a. m. and declared they could distinguish what seemed to be voices beneath them. Efforts to remove the debris were redoubled and ambulances were sent for in the hope that victims still a live might be rescued.



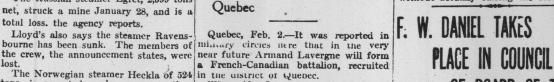
Paris, Feb. 2.—French trenches south of Leintrey, in Lorraine, were attacked hast evening by the Germans. The at-tacks failed. There were artillery ac-tions last night at Louvemont, north of Verdun, and at Metzeral, in the Vos-ges.

Rio Janeiro, Feb. 2 .- Persistent reports have been received by the newspapers here that the German raider has been sunk in an engagement with a ges.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 1.—The British cruiser Amethyst, one of a squadron searching for German raiders in the South Atlantic was attacked by a sub-marine, according to the Pernambuco newspaper Jornal Pequeni, but repelled the attack. The cruiser then touched at Pernambuco to repair. The extent of the damage is not evantly heat and the franco-Belgian front. The artillery the damage is not evantly heat and the franco-Belgian front. The artillery the damage is not evantly heat and the franco-Belgian front. The artillery the damage is not evantly heat and the franco-Belgian front. The artillery mather is not evantly heat at the franco-Belgian front. The artillery from the movement of the damage is not evantly heat at the franco-Belgian front. The artillery from the movement of the damage is not evantly heat for the damage is not evantly heat from the franco-Belgian front. The artillery from the movement of the franco-Belgian front from the france for the curve of the france for the france the damage is not exactly known. The newspaper declares that the British consul admitted the attack on the Amethyst, although the ship bore no evidence of having been in an engage-ment. The ranco-Belgian front. The artillery Erie made new low records for the cur-duel was particularly sharp between the rent movement. United States Steel Ancre and the Somme, while in the Gue-decourt sector on the Somme front an American Locomotive, Utah Copper, operation by a British force resulted in Reading, Lehigh Valley and Northern the German lines being entered, but Pacific were firm. The market became more irregular later on the between the rent movement. cleared again.

The Greek Blockade.

London, Feb. 2-A request has been made for the raising of the Greek block- Chicago, Feb. 2.-After a cautious



tons, is reported sunk, says another When Mr. Lavergne was asked if Lloyds announcement. there was any truth in the report he rethere was any truth in the report he replied:

"I cannot say anything at present." When asked if he would deny the re-port he said: "No." The Ravensbourne is not listed in

Quebec

BRITISH IS REPORT

REACHING RO JANERO

ARMAND LAVERGNE

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

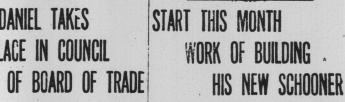
CANDELMAS DAY

ges. A German aviator dropped five bombs yesterday on Dunkirk. The war office statement reports the damage small and tion between Washington and Dernin was the cause of further caution on the part of prospective buyers, and the short in-terest evidently hesitated to press its ad-

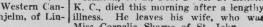
more irregular later on the heaviness of Steel.

Wheat Market

TO RAISE BATTALION? He Does Not Deny Truth of Report in Military Circles in Ouebec



At a meeting of the council of the Board of Trade at noon today, the vacancy caused by the death of F. C. Smith was filled by the election of F. W.





	Fair: Very Cold.	mane periornee ene ceremony of the		
	naughty rejection of the German peace	blessing of the candles.	Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 2-It was said at noon today on good authority	
	note, we know where we are, and now Maritime-Strong northwest winds	,	that dissolution of the legislature has been definitely decided upon and that	13
Munich, via Berlin, Feb. 1, to London, Feb. 2-Owing to difficulties of trans-	the time has come when all considera- fair and very cold tonight and on Satur	Leonard Wins Bout	Saturday, February 17, will be nomination day, with polling one week later	
nortation necessary to supply coal, the military authorities have ordered all	tions must be silenced. We want to be day.	New York, Feb. 2Benny Leonard	This is the shortest time which the law allows	
schools, theatres, museums, moving picture houses, concert halls and the uni-	victorious, for we want to remain alive. Northern New England - Fair and	l of New York, outfought Frank Callahan	Dr H E Taylor, a new forecastle member of the government arrived last	
versity closed temporarily. Restaurants will be allowed to heat and light only	Therefore we must fight until the breath colder tonight: Saturday, fair and con	of Brooklyn in seven out of ten rounds	night and took the oath of office this morning.	
me meneral room and a closing hour, ten o'clock, has been established for them.	leaves our enemies."	in a bout in Brooklyn last night	The thermometer registered fourteen degrees below zero last night	