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Sporting News

Patrick J. Moran, the new leader

of the Philadelphia National League club, is an old timer at the national

# DETAILS OF

In the United States cities there Petrograd, Feb. 10 .-- In spite of the was last year one bank to every 9,700 fact that several commissioners are people, and in Canadian cities one to at work investigating the devastatevery 3,100 persons. In the United ion which Poland has suffered during states there are 27,000 banks, or the German invasions, the acute bank to every 3.407 persons. misery of its millions of inhabitants

**News** Items

**From Many Sources** 

Barbados, D. W. I., Feb. 8 .- Jack

One of the passengers on the ship

order medal, said to have been worn in

Of the World

**Financial News** 

still goes unrelieved. The destruction While the allies own in their various is 50 universal that it hardly seems territories 48,000,000 horses, the numpossible that it was the work of huber in Germany and Austria is put at man agents. but 8,700,000. What portion of this

Normally Poland is a pleasancey number will be eventually worked up rolling country, not unlike the Amer- into sausage is problematical. ican middle west: fertile agriculturally, developed, productive and pron- "Inglorious isolation" is the condi-

perous with his landscapes checkered tion of the German empire to-day. with well groomed farms and pat- | With the exception of an internallyches of wood. It is now bleak and divided Austria and the miserable scarred, almost every house in ruins | Turks dragooned into its service, the and the mutilated roads are full of whole civilized world is opposed to its half starved, half frozen people who militarism. Can any intelligent obhave no homes and no possibility of server doubt the ultimate result? escaping from the charred remnants

of what once were their habitations. The line of fugitive peasants is Johnson, the pugilist, arrived here tolike a long black cord, knotted in day from Buenos Ayres. He weighs self an expert and active shipwright, places where they have assembled in 245 pounds and declares he is in good groups to consider the best way to condition. escape. But at one end escape is cut Johnson said he would attempt to

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off by the heavily massed Russian charter a steamer to take him to troops and the other end of the line Vera Cruz, as no other means is availrecoils from the advancing German able for his fight with Jess Willard on army. March 6.

course, makes it seem more import-

one cannot take a boat to a friend-

most ten times as large as Belgium.

who are in a frightful condition, and

whose condition is steadily growing

worse with the march of winter and

"I wish the plight of our wretched

people could be imprinted as vividly

on the minds of other nations as it.

the scarcity of food and clothing.

sistance for the starving peasants, friends

The picture is drawn by Prince Radziyill, a member of Poland's old-Seven sons of an elderly blind est and noblest aristocracy, who has Frenchman named Chopard, of the come to Petrograd from his home in village of Chauffout, near the Swiss Minsk to devise some practical met- frontier, were called to the colors last hod of assisting his unfortunate August and marched away to war.

countrymen. "I am air id." said Prince Radzi- nothing from them Becoming alarm-

measure of sympathy. The tragedy of seven sons had been killed, leaving

Belgium came first, and that, of fourteen children and four widows.

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finished. In this second German inva- has sailed for Live pool carrying c

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left. It is now more swept by battle Will Shipbuliding Company, Bel

than any other part of the world. fast. Echind the gaus, on the deck,

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facilities that one finds in Belgium; WC ks. and wre afty three feet long

ly power where there is shelter and was Flight-Commander Spencer Grey,

assistance. And this is a country al- who has the distinguished-service

"It is not promises of help or con- his recent aeroplane exploit over Dus-

tributions to be made after the war, seldorf. Grey has been in this coun-

that are needed, but immediate as- try on orders to rest, according to his

St. Petersburg, the modern capital game. He has begun his fortieth of Russia, now rechristened Petro- year, having been born in Fitchburg, Mass., Feb. 7, 1876, and he has algrad, was founded in 1703 by Peter ways been playing professional ball the Great. who died over 190 years, since 1897. Like his predecessor as ago. Peter first built a small hut for pilot of the Phillies, Charlie Dooin, he himself and a few wooden hovels, His has always been a backstop by trade. choice of a new capital was generally ) After quitting the active practice of condemned and the majority of the nobles preferred that Moscow should his profession in 1902 he became a coach for the Philadelphia Nationals, remain the seat of government. Peter

and it was his work in that capacity determined in his course, however, that gave the Philadelphia manageand in 1711 he laid, with his own ment the idea that Pat had the makhands, the foundation of his palace. ings of a manager. which was built of brick. Peter

since well-named "the Great," was

The Founder of

**Modern Russia** 

Jack Coombs, former mainstay of an extraordinary character. Russia's rise to a great world power was due Connie Mack's world championship to his genius. Says Voltaire; "He pitching staff, refuses to believe that gave a polish to his people, and was he is through. Coombs, who has himself a savage; he taught them signed to pitch for the rooklyn Nathe art of war, of which he himself tionals this year, is spending the winwas ignorant; from the sight of a ter in conditioning himself for the small boat on the river Moskwa he diamond campaign. He declares that erected a powerful fleet, made him. be will report in shipshape,

Coombs came from Colby College sailor, pilot, and commander: he joining the Athletics in 1996. He changed the manners, customs and gained fame as a pro at the very belaws of the Russians; and lives in ginning of his career by pitching the their memory as the father of his longest major league game on record. It was a 24-inning game, and he beat

M. Alexander Felix Joseph Ribot. the Red Sox 4 to 1 In 1910 he won 31 out of 40 the French minister of finance, who

was entrusted with the gigantic task games, and created a new American of financing the French participa- League shut out record by pitching tion in the greatest war in history, 13 scoreless games. He also pitched will be seventy-three years old on 53 consecutive scoreless innings, a Sunday. He is a statesman of record which Walter Johnson beat' in long experience, and was a candi- 1913, when he pitched 56 innings For a long while the father heard date for the presidency of France without a run being tagged on him. in the last election. He has been To complete a fine season Jack won



vill to the Associated Press, "the ed applied for assistance to the burpremier of France three times, al- three games agains the Cubs in the world has been so busy giving its eau for the exchange of information though his last government, in 1910 World's Series. help to unfortunate Belgium that our regarding prisoners of war. One by June . of last year. lasted but a day. country, which is so far from the one letters from the French head-He married an American woman, The world's champion Braves, at western world, cannot expect a full quarters arrived in Geneva. The

country.'

Miss Minnie Burch, the daughter of least the advance guard, will leave a Chicago banker. M. Ribot was Boston for Macon, Ga., Saturday, Febborn in St. Omar, Feb. 7, 1842, and ruary 27, going by the way of New was the laureate of the Paris Law York, and arriving in the southern School at twenty-two. It was training camp March 1.

while he was a rising young lawyer at the Paris bar that he fell in love

Willie Ritchie, former lightweight with Miss Burch, whose father had champion, signed articles at Los just lost a sensational divorce suit Angeles on Thursday to meet Freddie in Chicago. In 1878 M. Ribot en- Welsh, the present titleholder, in a tered parliament, and in 1890 he ten-round boxing bout at Madison became foreign minister of France. Square Garden, New York, on March In 1892 he had his first experience 11. Ritchie agrees to weight 135

as premier, but his government soon pounds. went on the rocks. In 1895 he was

again asked to form a government. which lasted but a few months. Last June he again accepted the premiership, and he had no sooner announced his cabinet than it went to pieces. When Viviani formed his coalition government of national defence. M. Ribot was asked to take the post of Minister of Finance, and ac-

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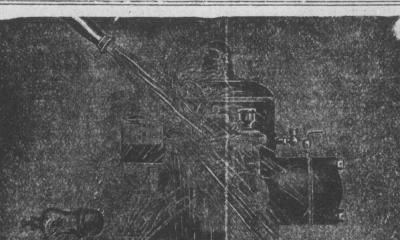
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British troop ship has been sunk by a German submarine in the English mained surprisingly good." Channel, is persistently rumored

available.

carrying troops to France, it is pos- 850,000 sible that between 3.000 and 4.000 were lost. twice that number.

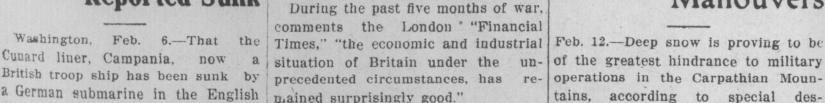
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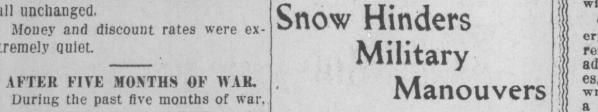


WAR-TIME CHANGES IN TRADE. sources. The troops are obliged to The source of the story is reputed In December, Britain's imports of keep the valley roads and the deto be an official with secret ad- food and drink increased \$39,500,000 velopment of manoeuvres for battle vices. No official confirmation is over 1913, while import of raw mater- is most difficult. The Russians are

ials decreased \$35,950,000, and export reported to be resisting stubbornly If the Campania was blown up while of manufactured goods decreased \$59,- at Dukla Pass and to be continually bringing up new troops. The Rus-

sians are strongly fortified along the The ship often carried INTERNATIONAL BALANCE SHEET. whole front and the operations of 2,000 passengers to New York, when "It is reasonable," the London the German and Austrian allies in she was an "Ocean Greyhound" and "Statist" remarks of Britain's enor- consequence, ecessarily are said to on the two hours run across the mous purchases from us, "to expect be very slow. Successes have been channel, she could carry at least that the debts due from the United achieved in turn by each side but

States to this country will very soon they have only local significance. New Yor, Feb. 6.—The local of- be liquidated; and that then the bal- Reports received in Berlin from the ficials of the Cunard line said there ance of indebtedness will be against western and eastern theatres of the was absolutely no truth in the re- this country, not against the United war indicate no change worth mentioning at any point.



precedented circumstances, has re- operations in the Carpathian Mountains, according to special despatches from Austro-Hungarian press

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heard of such an accident. The last heard of the Campania, was LOANS AND THE MONEY MARKET. FINDS FAULT Why did the issue of the \$1,750,000, refitted in Liverpool.

000 British war loan not cause a rip-WITH WILSON ple on London's money market? Because, one British critic answers,

"both of the abnormal size of the Calgary, Alberta, Feb. 12--"The ridimarket's available credits and the culous Gilbertian birthday message fact that the Government is spending which President Wilson, in behalf of at such a rate upon war supplies that the American people, sent to that By Proxy the loan proceeds have been paid out monster, that incarnation of crime

as fast as they come in." Paris, Feb. 16 .- Minister of Justice

Briand, with the approval of M. Mil- EUROPEAN PRICES IN WAR TIMES. said Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson, lerand, the Minister of War, has given The average price of commodities in the eminent English actor, who is his approval to the proposed bill Britain at the end of 1914, was the here.

which would allow soldiers who are highest since 1875. The London "Ec- "I believe the greater majority of unable to leave the front to contract onomist's "index number" as of Dec- the American people, the thinking, inember 31 is 2,800, as against an aver- telligent classes, are in hearty sym-There is no news of the S.S. Ethic age of 2,200 even for the period 1901- pathy with the cause and ideal of the Setting clear of her ice-bound position 1905. Sauerbeck's December "index Allies in this war. Mr. Wilson is actnumber" is 91.6, as against an aver- uated by a desire to placate the Ger-

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