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THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1918.

GERMAN MILITARISTS WINNING Annexationists Gaining Influence Throughout Country **Chancellor and Foreign Secretary Likely To Go**



Attitude of Eligible

War Workers

SENTIMENT IS HIGH

London, Jan. 18 .- The reference

uade in the House of Commons yes

erday by Sir Auckland Geddes, min-

ister of national service, to the en-

gineers attempting to force the gov-

ernment to conscript their fathers

and return wounded men to th

iront, has focussed attention on the attitude of engineering and ship-building employees along the Clyde, where the trouble has been acute. Sir Auckland declared that many

oung men in essential industries

have acted as though they held a privileged position. He said that

they must share the burden with the

others. At a meeting in the Clyde listrict on Sunday, the hipbuillers

and engineers decided to strike

not withdrawn before the end

charges.

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the government manpower bill w.

January and a peace conference call

Sir Auckland Geddes is endorsed

The rebuke given these men by

By Courier Leased Wire

The Hague, Jan. 15 .- The Jewish newspaper Durea learns from Berlin that the Polish ministers of social affairs have conferred with Jewish leaders and members of municipal councils regarding the settlement of the Jewish question in Poland. The Jews told the ministers that there must be more than a statement by the premier promising freedom and justice. It was absolutely necessary

JEWISH QUESTION.

they said, that special laws affecting Jews, be abolished, as Sir Auckland Geddes Scored the Jews in Russia had been emancipated by the revolution. The expulsion of Jews from villages must cease. Regulations against Jewish merchants in the markets must be ab olished as well as the double tax for hospitals which is de. manded of Jews.

The ministers replied that the emigration of Jews from Poland seemed desirable and asked the leaders whether they would co-operate in such a project.



Control of German Destinies Passing Rapidly Into Hands of Militarists; Hertling About to Resign, While Public Clamors For Retirement of Kuehlmann

Control of the destinies of the German Empire, so accounts from neutral countries agree, is passing into the hands of the Militarists, or the leaders who want to hold what has been gained by might and the sword. Chancellor von Hertling, the aged incumbent of the chief political office, again is reported ill and preparing to resign, while the militarists and pan-Germans are demanding the dismissal of Dr. von Kuehlmann, the foreign secretary, who has headed the German delegation at Brest-Litovsk.

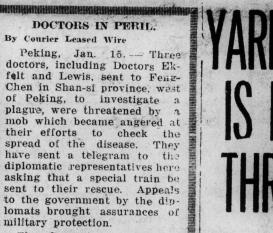
In connection with the reported illness of the imperial chancellor, it is reported from Berlin that Count von Hertling's address before the main committee of the Reichstag has been postponed for several days. It was said previously that the chancellor would answer the recent war aims statements of Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson before the main committee on Wednesday.

MILITARY DICTATORSHIP COMING ?

Coupled with these reports is the fact that the German Emperor and the Crown Prince have been holding conferences with the political and military leaders. It is re-ported also that the German ministers to Denmark and Holland have arrived unexpectedly in Berlin. Indications are that the present turmoil within the German ruling class will result in the acceptance of a firm policy, either favoring the militarists or the more peaceful element, with the probability that the pan-Germans will be victorious. Fuel Shortage Caused by The Socialist Vorwaerts believes a military dictatorship is in the making.

PEACE TERMS STILL IN DARKNESS

No explanation has been vouchsafed by either the Germans or the Russians as to INDUSTRY IS HALTED the reasons behind the temporary halt in the peace negotiations. Nor has it been an-



The plague is pneumonic ir type and is most serious in Feng-Chen and Tatuangfu. and is spreading toward Tai Yuan Fu, the capital of Shansi province. The local author ities are reported to be indif ferent to the encroachment of the disease. Native doctor sent from Peking lack authority to enforce repressive measures and the diplomatic representatives have asked the president to appoint a military controller



"Yarmouth was bombarded from sea last night. Fire was opened at 10.55 p.m., and lasted about five minutes, sor 320 shells falling into

North Sea Port, 118 Miles

Northeast of London, At-

tacked by the Huns

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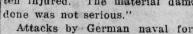
it is reported officially. About 20

shells fell in the city. Three persons were killed and ten injured. The following official announc

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ment was given out:

e (An. "The latest police reports state that three persons were killed and ten injured. The material damage



war have been infrequent in recent

months. The last previous occur-

ported was on September 4 of last

year. On that date a German sub-

Exonerated Army Staff.

Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer,

mons to-day that as a result of

London, Jan. 15 .- Operations of

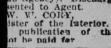
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Jan. 12.-A blizzard ton in its grip ht was still blowing to-day. The power ore 8 o'clock, cripnition plants and r over two hours, ay and suburban for the same Business generally considerable damindows in the busiblown in while the w's Theatre crashrquee early in the hirty traffic on the

s and member of parliament, but in some quarters the minister is condemned for lack **Manufacturing Plants** of sagacity, as the temper of the men At a Standstill strained and persuasion is more likely to be effective than a menace. J. Ramsay MacDonald, labor leader, By Courier Leased Wire who has just returned from the

Chicago, Jan. 15 .--- Nearly 150,00 Clyde, says in an interview that the men were idle to-day in Chicago and situation needs very careful hand- nearby manufacturing districts on ling. He thought the reference to account of a fuel shortage, caused fathers was most unjust and feared by the heavy snowfall, which deit would have a very bad effect on moralized railway traffic last Satur the men, already super-sensitive owday, Sunday and Monday.

ing to the long hours of unbroken Among the industries which we practically at a standstill were three

of the largest packing plants in Chi Mr. Macdonald said that the view cago and many steel mills in of the workmen was that they had a Calumet and Gary districts, which definite bargain from which it had are working on government con been agreed to give the government tracts Thousands of the nacking certain support and the government house employees who were laid off was now trying to repudiate its side yesterday were put to shovellin of the bargain. He did not say that snow in order that the railway tracks the government had any other altermight be cleared sufficiently to adnative in the circumstances, but no mit shipments of coal into the plants good could be done by making unfair to-day. It was announced that the

packers expected to resume durin On the other hand, the press conthe day, but the situation at the demns the mialcontents warmly, The steel mills was said to be more ser Daily News describing the threat to ous and that operations might strike as a betrayal of freedom and a suspended for two days at least. stabbing of sons and brothers in the New York, Jan. 15 .- With mor

back. A Liberal member of parliathan 100 industrial plants in New ment, is quoted as saving: York State already closed because of "The men want an excuse to end lack of fuel, hundreds of non-essenthe war. and this excuse is as good tial industries faced a similar situ as any other. . . They want to cause ation when the new system of enfor a general strike so as to prevent the ced coal distribution became effect cutput of munitions and make war tive to-day whereby hospitals, homes possible. They are also talking public utilities and food producer of delivering an ultimatum to the had the first call on the rapidly

government to provide industrial dwindling supply. districts with plenty of food or have Ice floes in the harbor and ad a general strike." jacent waters continue to retard de In the lotbies of parliament the During the night four bar livery. opinion is expressed that if a strike ges well loaded with coal were sunl occurs it is not likely to last long, in the Arthur kill, where the

ewing to the strikers' lack of funds. water is shallow, blocking twent; Laber members of parliament gen-crally will not talk of the situation six barges being towed here. Sevent tugboats have been put out of comas their conferences with Sir Aucknission temporarily by the ice. and Geddes are not yet finished.

New York, Jan. 15.-As a mean of conserving fuel throughout the eastern states, which have been vital-

ly affected by the coal shortage, WEATHER BULLETIN was announced to-day that federal 15- The Texas fuel administrators have recommend disturbance of ed that President Wilson declare Monday a legal holiday throughout has yesterday

moved quickly this territory for the next eight or 10 north eastward, weeks. and developed Improvement at Stratford

into an importstratford, Ont., Jan. 15.—There i :0 ant storm now

centered in considerable improvement in railway traffic out of here to-day. The main Pennsylvania. line to Toronto is open, also to Owen Sound and Sarnia. London is still Snow is falling in Ontario and Quebec. The blocked and a work train trying to clear the London line is ditched near in all the pro- St. Marys. An engine and snow plow are in the ditch and another engine vinces,

British hia. Storm sigin the Maritime

Provinces. Forecasts Strong northwest and west winds, clearing before night.

fair and decidedly cold.

Many of the City's Largest nounced officially when the conference, if continued, is to be resumed at Warsaw. A Bavarian newspaper says "Egyptian darkness enshrouds" Germany's peace terms.

The winter idleness on the western and Italian fronts has not been broken by large operations. Raids and patrol engagements occur here and there and the artillery fire breaks into violence at important points now and then, but there is hardly anything in the official statements to indicate Germany's huge reserve of 1,600,000 from the Russian front is to begin its heralded blow very soon.

AGITATION AGAINST BOLSHEVIKI

London, Jan. 15.-Anti-Bolsheviki parties in Russia, according to a despatch to The Daily News from Petrograd, are using the creation of a volunteer army by the Bolsheviki as the basis of an energetic agitation to turn the Petrograd garrison against the Lenine Government.

Efforts also are being made to start street demonstrations in favor of the Constituent Assembly. If the efforts are successful, the despatch adds, the result will be anarchy, than which the Germans could wish nothing better.

The Constituent Assembly is to meet on Friday. It seems probable that it will contain a majority against the Bolsheviki and will try to replace them by another government, which the News correspondent says, would be indefinitely less dangerous as an antagonist toward Germany than the present one.

FRENCH LOAN TO UKRAINE.

London, Jan. 15.-France has loaned the Ukraine two million rubles in gold, according to a despatch from the Odessa correspondent of The Times dated Friday. was that he had been entrusted with during the past week are reviewed The French mint also has printed a large quantity of Ukraine paper money.

General Vinnichenko, president of the Secretariat, it is added, in the course of a

long report to the Rada, declared that Great Britain, France, the United States, Belgium and Roumania were interested greatly in the organization of the Ukraine Republic. He added "As circumspect people they hestitate to recognize the republic same time, of members of the Ger- our airplanes have destroyed six completely, but when they find it expedient they will extend us their hands which we will accept if we think it necessary."

General Vinnichenko described the Ukraine as an oasis of order and constitutional policy, saying:

"One constantly is impressed that the regeneration of Moscovite monarchy is impossible and therefore, perhaps the Ukraine will appear also an oasis of revolutionary conquest."

The correspondent of the Times says that the feeling of Roumanians towards the Russians is embittered greatly. The Roumanians feel that they have been thrice betrayed by Russia, first by the Czar's government; next by the provisional government and now, worst of all, by the Bolsheviki Government.

RED CROSS CAMPAICN

DEALT WITH BERLIN? on English coast towns, of which there were a number early in the

Suspected of Having Intrigued With the Notorious Luxburg

Arrested on Serious

Charges

marine bombarded By Courier Leased Wire causing the death of three persons Paris, Jan. 15.-The arrest yesand the injury of five. Yarmouth tetrday of former Premier Caillaux was due principally to a cablegram from Secretary of State Lansing at is on the North Sea, 115 miles northeast of London. It is a city Washington, saying that in 1915, M. of some 50,000 infabitants with im-Caillaux had been in communication proved shipbuilding and fishing inwith the Berlin foregn office. dustries.

Secretary Lansing's cablegram ' stated that the American representative at Buenos Aires had been able By Courier Leased Wire

to establish that M. Cadillaux, during his visit to Argentina in 1915, had been in communication with the announced in the Houss of Com-Berlin office through Count von Lux. burg, then German minister to Ar-Field Marshal Haig's inquiry the

sentina with the object of concluding | general staff, War Cabinet and the peace with Germany at any price, so Government considered that as to permit the resumption of busi. British higher army command had not been surprised by the German It is understood this evidence will attack in the Cambrai region, No-

published in America immisdiate: | vember 30, and that all proper and made to meet it.

M. Caillaux sailed for South America in November, 1914, going first erica in November, 1914, going first to Brazil and then to Argentina. By Courier Leased Wire Something of a mystery was made of his trip. The general explanation British forces on the Italian front

an economic mission, but it was re- in an official statement to-day. The ported that the French Government's Italian successes in carrying out real purpose was to bring about his operations in the Monte The Hague which attracted attention announcement, which reads:

man Reichstag. Shortly afterwards enemy machines and driven down came his trip to Rome. others out of control. Our artillery

Count von Luxburg was dismissed made several successful as German minister to Argentina afour infantry patrol activity conter dis covery of the fact that he had tinues

been sending through the Swedish "The Italians successfully operatlegation at Buenos Aires, despatches ed yesterday in the vicinity of Monte Asolone, Monte Spinoncia and to the Berlin foreign office respecting propaganda in South America and advising the "sinking without trace" of Argentine merchant ves-Cape Sile, capturing many prisoners "The weather is very cold."

Washington, Jan. 15-Secretary of State Lansing to-day refused to affirm or deny or comment upon the foregoing dispatch from Paris. There seems to be no doubt, however, that some such dispatch is contained in the captured Luxburg correspond ence. Early to-day there was no



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