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SOLDIER TESTIFIES AT NORTHLAND INQUIRY THAT CHRIST MAS PUDDING WAS SERVED TO THE MEN BY HAND

GERMAN GOVT. CONSIDERING

Berlin Newspaper Arraigns Ministry for Inactivity in View of Serious Situation—Bolshevik Invasion Feared.

GERMAN CORPS CONCENTRATE.

Basel, Jan. 3 .- Several German army corps have been concentrated on the border between Posen and Prussia, according to the Nachrichten of Frankfort. Germany, It is added, has decided to defend her rights to the Province of Posen. Reports from Denmark and Switzerland Thursday were that a large force of Poles was advancing into Prussia toward Berlin. Polish cavalry was reported to have reached Frankfort on the Oder.

sociated Press) .- A protest against the these statements cannot be true, and it war "abject surrender to the Poles," which is advocated by Herr Ernst of the Prussian ministry, is printed by the Zeitung the attitude of the Government as Am Mittag today. The minister, who has just returned from the border, declares that while the invasion by the Poles could have been prevented a Right by the Germans and the danger of fortnight ago, the situation is now hopegain the territory occupied by the Poles sion today, and are reported to be coneven with the division ordered to the sidering what action to take for the prodistrict-a division, he declared, which tection of the German cities from the

"Chinese apathy." presses disquiet over the evacuation of

a Bolshevik invasion of Germany The Government members are in ses

EXTEND CONTROL FOR FIVE YEARS Prince Lvoff Tells of State-

Argues For Continuance of the Government Operation of Railways.

ON A COST BASIS

Director-General of Lines in U. S. Submits Statement to Senate Committee.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Accomplishments of reilroads under federal control in the last twelve months and arguments for a five-year continuance of Government operation to provide a fair test of unified direction were recited today by Director-General McAdoo, testifying before the Senate interstate commerce committee, which took up consideration of his recommendation for extension of control to 1924.

Mr. McAdoo read a prepared statement, more than 15,000 words in length, constituting a comprehensive review of conditions under federal management. He planned to take most of the day in presenting the testimony—probably the last public statement of his stewardship of railroad matters before retiring and director-general.

Cited Many Reforms. citing reforms effected under control, the director-general

said:

"I believe that even under the handicaps of war conditions a sufficient showing has been made to indicate that all the reforms I have mentioned are desirable as permanent peace measures. Yet it is clear that the general public has not had an opportunity to appreciate this and to weigh the real value of what has been accomplished. In view of the far-reaching importance of any solution of the railroad question which may be adopted, the public is entitled to have, before the present federal control shall be terminated, a reasonably fair test under peace conditions of the Continued on Page Three. Continued on Page Three.

THE WEATHER

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SEVERAL WOUNDED IN

TOMORROW-QUITE COLD. Forecasts.

Today—Westerly winds: becoming older; a few snow flurries. Saturday—Fair and quite cold. Temperatures,
The following were the highest and temperatures during the 24 hours

nothing in the matter. It characterizes The Zeitung Am Mittag also ex-

Ex-Russ Premier Confirms Death

ments Made by Judge.

Paris, Jan. 3 .- Prince Lvoff, the former Russian premier, from whom Foreign Minister Pichon obtained information of the massacre of the imperial Russian family as related in the Chamber of Deputies last week, informs the Journal that he learned the details from a judge who made an investigation of the deaths. The prince quotes the judge as saying:
"I left nothing to chance, and al-

though some points are not yet cleared up. I consider that the chances are 95 out of 100 that the imperial family was

Frince Looff says the judge wept as he told him that they had found on the walls of the room where the family had been confined marks of 35 revolver bullets and many cuts which had been made by bayonets. Blood was dry everywhere on the wooden floor by judge was searching for the bodies, ch had not yet been found when nee Lvoff left Ekaterinburg several

WANTS POLAND TO BE INHABITED BY THE POLES ONLY

Polish Premier Favors Establishment of International Port at Danzig.

Warsaw, Tuesday, Dec. 31.—(By the Associated Press).—Andreas Moraczewski, the Polish premier, said today that he was in favor of the creation of an international port at Danzig. In an international port at Danzig. In outlining his program, he said:

"I desire to see Poland inhabited only by Poles. I do not favor giving special autonomy and schools to the Jews, but do believe in giving them their civic rights if they perform their civic duties.

"We have been robbed by both the departing Russians and Germans, the letter trying to destroy our industries.

RIOTING IN MUNICH ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

awless Blement Sald To Be in Possession of Many Weapons.

Berlin, Jan. 2.—(By the Associated Press).—Munich newspapers of this morning's date, received here publish extended reports of shooting in the streets of the city on New Year's eve. Nine persons are declared to have been wounded in different parts of the city, while the accounts state that the rioters used hand grenades against the police and threw similar missiles at the front of the Catholic Society building. The newspapers declare that great numbers of weapons are in the possession of the lawless element:

WOULD DESTROY ALL BIG SHIPS OF GERMAN NAV

American Admiral Makes Recommendation to Naval Committee.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Destruction of all capital ships of the German navy surrendered to the Allies was recommended to the House naval affairs committee today by Rear Admiral Rodman, who commanded the American fleet in the North Sea during the

said the German ships would not be needed, that they were of different types than those of the Allies, and that it would be a waste of money to pay to maintain them.

FOUR BELOW ZERO IN CHICAGO WITH **COLD WAYE COMING**

Of the Romanoffs Doctors Claim Low Temperatures Decrease Influenza

> Chicago, Jan. 3.—Chicagoans scurried to work today in a temperature of 4 degrees below zero, with assurance from the weather forecaster that it would be colder before it became warmer. the weather forecaster that it would be colder before it became warmer. Icy sidewalks made locomotion for pedestrians perflous, and many injuries from falls were reported.
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> Frigid weather prevailed throughout the Middle West, practically every state reporting the lowest temperature of the winter.
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> Doctors said cold weather lessened the number of influenza cases.

MERCURY DROPS BELOW ZERO AT MANY POINTS

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> Duluth, Minn., Jan. 3.—The cold wave from the Dakotas arrived here during last night, a 40-mile north wind usher-ing in a 22-degree-below-zero temperature at 7 a.m. today.
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> Lake Superior is "smoking" for the first time this winter and shows signs

32 Below In West 48 Above In East

Vast Difference in Temperatures of Winnipeg and Halifax.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—Canada's 'infinite variety' in the matter of temperatures is emphasized by the meteorological observatory's records today, indicating a difference of 78 degrees in the extremes developed during the 24 hours. The coldest point reporting was Winnipeg, where the mercury dropped to 30 below zero, while Halifax perspired with furs on at 48 degrees above when the thermometer showed the highest point. In Ontario there was a difference of 58 degrees between the extremes, with 26 below at White River and 32 below at Kingston.

and 32 below at Kingston. FOCH PERMITS THE GERMANS TO VOTE Declares His Presence at Conference Was Essential.

Madrid, Jan. 2.—Catalonian autonomy was under consideration today at the meeting of a commission comprising the principal leaders of the political parties. The session was presided over by Premier Romanones. The Catalonists, the Catalonian Republicans and the Socialists were not represented at the meeting, having decided not to attend it.

The commission decided to draw up a plan to be presented to the Cortes for

NEW SETTING TO AN OLD TUNE



The Black "Watch on the Rhine."- London

CANADIAN SOLDIER ENTERTAINERS PRESENT PROGRAM IN BRUSSELS BEFORE BELGIAN KING AND QUEEN

"The Dumbells" of the Third Canadian Division Are Given Enthusiastic Reception in the Belgian Capital.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—The following article, written by Fred James, official correspondent with the Canadian Corps, has been received from the overseas milibeen received from the overseas miltary authorities:
The Third Canadian Division concert
party. "The Dumbells," like the Second
Divisions troops. "The See Toos,"
scored such a hit in London that they
went to Brussels, the capital of Belgium, a few nights ago and gave some
performances in the leading theatre
there before the King and Queen of the
Belgians and full audiences. The proceeds were given in aid of Belgian
charities.

The Trussels to see the vaudeville show there. One of the performers
was a conjurer, and as is usual with his
kind, he invited members of the audience on the stage to be convinced that
he had "nothing in his hands and nothing up his sleeves."

A "Dumbell" accepted the invitation,
and he persuaded some of his conferes
to join him. Then the stage manager
announced to the audience that the soldiers were Canadians and part of the given in Brussels was quite the most enthusiastic they have ever had. The audience cheered at every proper opportunity, shouted in chorus "Brave for Canada" and sang repeatedly "O Canada."

STRIKE OF FREIGHT HANDLERS MAY TIE **UP TRANSPORTATION**

Shortage of Foodstuffs Threatened as Result of

New York, Jan. 3 .- A shortage

BRYAN APPROVES OF WILSON'S TRIP

Was Essential.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 3.—"This war has taught the lesson that those who make the best citizens in times of peace the best citizens in times of peace make the best citizens in times of peace the best citizen

NEW YORK PLACES AN EMBARGO ON ALL

GRAIN SHIPMENTS

Altitude of 30,500 Feet Is Reached By Captain Long

New Record Is Established in Flight at Ipswich.

London, Jan. 3.—Flying a British air ane at Ipswich yesterday, Capt. Lang, established a new altitude recor reaching a height of 30,500 fee Observer Blowers, who accompanicant Lang, collapsed, when his oxyg bottle broke, but recovered. Both m were frost bitten during their flight Dayton, Ohio, Jan. 3.—Capt. R. Schroeder, an American pilot of Wilbur Wright aviation field, held

SOLDIERS EAGERLY SEEK AN EDUCATION

Majority of Men Chose Subjects of Technical Character.

London, Jan. 3.—(Canadian Press Dispatch from Reuter's).—Lord Gorell, deputy director of army staff duties, in a speech at University College here to-day, said that educational work and requirements among British troops was the most astonishing thing of the war. The rrmy contained at least three million students. It constituted the larg-est school in the world before the arm-Education was given in order to divert men's minds from the terrors of war. Since the armistice the work had increased, it being given with a definite view to post-war resettlement. Recently 72,000 books had been dispatched to France for the British army, which was elemented. the meeting, having decided not to attend it.

The commission decided to draw up a plan to be presented to the Cortes for its approval. All the members of the commission, it is declared, favor granting autodomy to the Catalonian district.

Returned Soldier Testifies That Stewards On Northland Used Their Hands To Serve Christmas Day Pudding

ROME EXTENDS **WARM WELCOME**

U. S. Chief Executive Arrives at the Italian Capital.

MET BY ROYALTY

Italian Newspapers Enthusiastic in Reception of Wilson.

Rome, Jan. 3 .- President Wilson arrived in Rome at 10:25 a man got in them he seemed to be almost buried. Allette had a top bunk and found difficulty in getting into it. owing to a wounded shoulder. received at the station by King Victor Emmanuel and Queen
Helena, members of the Government and representatives of the local authorities. An immense

erowd welcomed the president with the greatest enthusiasm.

ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS
UNITE IN WELCOME TO

AMERICAN PRESIDENT

Rome, Jan. 2—Newspapers here unite in their welcome of President Wilson." The visit of President Wilson," says the Corriere d'Italia, "must signify that, outside and above the official ceremonies, italy, as regards peace problems, is with Mr. Wilson, who will united the president wilson was no fresh water, he said, for washing on shaving. The resident for the crew of the Northland that the deek on which he bunked was used for storing cargo on the return trip of the vessel. The ventilation of the sleeping quarters was bad, the food insufficient, and the meat served of a very inferior quality, and badly prepared. Complaint of a great scarcity of drinking water was made by Pte. Fred Leith of Toronto, who said that for the last three days of the voyage he had been united to get a drink of water. He had complained about it, but nothing was dome, and he had to go and buy coffee. There was no fresh water, he said, for washing or shaving. outside and above the official ceremonies. Italy, as regards peace problems, is with Mr. Wilson, who will understand the preoccupations of Italy as he has understood those of France and England."

The Giornale d'Italia says: "We entered the war for the same ideals as the United States, and with the same ideals as the united States, and with her for a lasting peace."

done, and he bad to go and buy coffee There was no fresh water, be said, for washing or shaving. The men were given coffee and soup at their meals, but no water. The frash water taps on the deck of the vessel were frozen.

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ITALIAN PARLIAMENT TO RECEIVE WILSON

with King Victor Emmanuel, following the visit to the president of a deputafrom the Quirinal. In the evening citizenship of Rome will be con-Tomorrow is the day set for his visit be present as that ship's officers should be present during the hearings of evirch. He will take dinner with the i. The president expects to leave Jenoa on Sunday, and possibly will o Milan. On Monday he will arrive urin, where he will make a short leaving for the meanings of evidence."

Mr. Holden replied that he did not wish to press his application, and withdrew it.

Under Government Charter

PEACE CONFERENCE TO OPEN ON JAN. 13

Decision On Terms To Be Im-

posed On Vanquished
Peoples.

Paris. Jan. 3.—There is every likelihood, according to the morning newspapers, that the peace conference, or rather a preliminary conference between the four great allies, will open on January 13. The secretaries of the conference will be Paul Dutasta, French ambassador to Switzerland, and Philippe Berthelot of the French foreign office, it is said.

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SECOND CONFERENCE TO INCLUDE ALL THE ALLIED DELEGATES

ALLIED DELEGATES

Paris, Jan. 3.—After the preliminary conference between the four great allied powers which will open on January 13, says the Journal, there will be a second conference, at which the other allied states will be consulted on questions interesting them. These two preparatory conferences will be held at the French foreign office. The peace congress proper, the paper adds, will be held at Versailles. The debates will not be made public, but reports will be lissued daily.

There would be any left. "We waited so long," the witness said, "that I decided to go without."

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APPOINTED GENERAL MANAGER. Chicago, Jan. 3.—The Illinois Central Railway today announced the appointment of A. E. Clift as general manager, succeeding the late T. J. Foley.

Sensational Evidence Is Adduced at the Inquiry Being Held Into Complaints as to Conditions Aboard the Army Tr ansport.

opened their story at the Northland inquiry this morning. Complaints they made were chiefly of bunking and the way the food was served. Sapper Allette of Toronto, while making no general complaint as to the quality of the food described his Christma din, and they han the food, described his Christmas dinner in this wise: "One fat pork chop with 1½ inches fat; Christmas pudding served by hand, instead of dishes, passably good." Northland was in Halifax harbor.

piled around. They had to eat the dinner the best way they could. The mattresses gave out a nasty odor, and, Ailette said: "It is very unpleasant for a man to have to sit down to a Christmas dinner under such conditions."

He complained, too, that there was not enough food, that 24 men bunked in the samesroom. Half the bunks were wooden, looked like coffins, and when a man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them he seemed to be also man got in them had a top bunk Mr. Orde: "What time?"
"Noon."
The witness complained that the men

ment, and that the owners were merely acting as agents for the Government in purchasing supplies. Any loss for delay in sailing of the Northland would fall on the Imperial Government.

Mr. Holden asked that witnesses, other than those giving evidence, and ship's officers, should be excluded from court.

Judge Hodgins doubted whether his

commission gave him the power to clude witnesses. If it did, however, would hesitate to use it. "This is tended to be a public inquiry," commissioner remarked. "It is just invested to the returned men she

important that the returned men she

John Torrance, Montreal manager of the White Star-Dominion Line, said the Northland was under time charter to the British Government, and the trip it question came within the period of that time charter. The British Government paid so much Mr. Torrance could not say, as all the papers were in England.

The vessel, with the officers and crew, were practically handed over to the British Government, the company acting as agents.

ting as agents.
Under cross-examination Mr. Torince said the company engaged the

Inadequate.

Mr. Orde: "Did you ask for more?"

"Yes, and the steward refused to

Complained to Officer.

Sapper Allette said he complained the orderly officer. The orderly office told him to wait patiently to see there would be any left. "We waite

Boat Is Chartered. good.

MINES PLANTED TO DESTROY BRUGES MADE HARMLESS

German Officer and Prisoners Removed Caps From Explosives.

HEAD OF GERMAN ADMIRALTY STAFF RESIGNS POSITION

Admiral von Scheer Is Reported To Have Quit Volun-

HASSAN NEBY IS HANGED; PROTESTS INNOCENCE TO END

Lived For Seventeen Minutes After Trap Was Sprung.

fully cleared.

Food was insufficient from the first, the witness went on, but he had no complaint to make about the quality.

During the first five days, the weather was rough; afterwards it was comparatively good. cited. Life was not extinct for