MANNING, S. C., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1914

REACH NO DECISION

HEAVY FIGHTING IS TAKING PLACE IN BOTH EAST AND WEST

NOTHING TO REPORT

Official News From All Nations Convey Little Information as to Extent

of Operations-Russians Seem to

be Holding New Lines-Activity goes to conference between the Reported in the Sudan.

Heavy fighting is taking place or change in the positions of the oppos-

ing armies. Berlin reports: "The Russians in

also in the Lupkow Pass. Petrograd reports officially: the region of Mlawa (north Poland) the Germans have fallen back towards the line of Lautenburg-Neid- house receipts as collateral on which chancellor, and whose marvellous or-

is being greatly hindered by our products. gion have taken on a character extremely favorable to us. One of the Austrian divisions which was operateasily defeated by bayonet charges

made by our troops. The enemy left on the battlefield 500 killed and we captured 10 officers and more than 1,000 soldiers."

"Russian Petrograd reports: forces are still holding at bay the German column which is seeking to cross the Bzura river at Sochaczew and advance on Warsaw, 30 miles away. For three days this German army of about 200,000 men has been endeavoring to cross the river and throw back the Russians who are holding the right bank.

"Sochaczew continues to be the German objective in the attempt to reach Warsaw. The Russian forces on the right bank of Bzura are heavily entrenched. Their artillery is so placed that it commands the river to its junction with the Vistula, 18 miles north. Southward the Russian line extends to Opoczno, 25 miles east of Piotrkew which was recently evacuated, and 45 miles east of Szcerczow, where the Russians first oppos

ed the German extreme right. "It is pointed out that the Russians have thus assumed positions on their third line of defense. The evacuation of Lodz, which lies to the west of this line, was thus in logical sequence to this movement, and according to the general opinion here, had no bearing on the attack on Warsaw. The Russians for the present apparmother are attempting no than to retard the enemy and to de-Yeat attempts at flanking move-

Berlin reports an Austrian communication which supplies data showing that the eastern movement of the Germans through Poland and the northward movement of the Austrians through Galicia are proceeding steadily and in some regions rapidly.

Special dispatches from Austrian general headquarters say that the Austrians advanced some days as much as 30 miles, yet the official bulletin declares the Russians are resisting with heavy forces on the lower Donajec in Galicia, where heavy Carpathians.

Vienna reports: "In the Carpa Upper Latorcza are progressing well. Tuchow and on the lower Dunajec would guarantee a cure for \$3. river severe fighting continues."

Constantinople reports via Berlin uprisings of serious dimensions in the short while, when the medicine rail-Sudan. It is alleged that the ruler ed to relieve the pain, he returned stopped by Bedouins and prevented Porter, although, it is said, telling many was developing too fast, growto Khartum is said to have been

regained most of the trenches previously lost. Before Lihons the enemy delivered four successive attacks trenches which we had previously won in that region, but all of them having passed through his lungs. were repulsed.

"In an attack to the northwest of Puisalenne, south of Noyon, we have

"To the north of Puisalenne, south of Noyon, the enemy executed Mon-

"To the south of Varnennes we Tuesday and we appear to have made progress in the vicinity of Boureuilles and to the west of Vauquois. "There is nothing to report con-

cerning the rest of the front." Berlin reports: "The newspapers publish an unofficial statement from headquarters in answer to the official shipments greatly, as the number of French war bulletins of December several trenches had been taken in Auchy; La Blassee, St. Laurent and Blangy. The statement from headquarters says all places lie in the his post of the number of troops

"A French report said the French position near Albert had reached the Monday when his machine fell into entanglements of the second line of the Pacific. German trenches. The headquarters statement admits that eighty Frenchmen came this far, but they were all captured. The French claim that the German attacks near St. Hubert all failed is answered with the statement that the Germans took 800 prisoners in these attacks, exterminating utter-

"The German navy aviator, Lieut. Sylfester, La., Saturday, made the Stephen von Prondzynski, flew over fifth victim of mor vengeance in Dover, threw bombs and reconnoiter- Louisiana in ten days. ed the position of the British fleet.

Greatest Battleship Leaves U. S. The Ridavida, Argentine's latest battleship, which is the biggest in the night. Domestic and financial trou-

LEVER BILL IS PASSED

PROVIDES LICENSES FOR COTTON AND GRAIN WAREHOUSES.

Measure, Which Means Much for the Farmer Goes to Conference-Vote Was 218 and 97 Against

The Lever cotton warehouse bill the House for months was passed Monday, 218 to 97. The measure provides for federal licensing of cotton and grain warehouses and is a substitute for a Senate bill restricted to cotton warehouses. The bill now

The bill approved by the administration was the subject of brief deboth eastern and western fronts, but bate, its sponsors contending that it following dispatch from Grand Genwould greatly enhance confidence in eral Headquarters of the Kaiser in agricultural products. Its opponents France: claimed it was unconstitutional.

"This bill," said Representative in protest and has taken little or no West Galicia are holding the east Lever, "will result in the establishbank of the Dunajec river to Tuchow, ment of uniform warehouses and uniand another line extends southeast- form warehouse receipts for agricul- will America say if Germany declares ward past Krosno. Heavy fighting is tural products throughout the counsubmarine war on all enemy mer-"In will make stree the evidence of own- man minister of marine, regarded the fighting the war to the hilt we will and better organized than they were ership of agricultural products.

"It will enhance the value of wareenburg (across the frontier into east loans may be sought by producers. It will give great negotiability to "In Galicia the Austrian offensive agricultural receipts for agricultural

in large storage facilities for agriculing in the vicinity of Dukla Pass was tural products and will serve as an in Great Britain thereby cutting off incentive to farmers to store their in Great Britain, thereby cutting off products and thereby save millions of large food supplies." dollars of weather-loss each year. It will furnish to the farmer for the first time in this country the machin- ed the first question: ery through which he not only may know the class or grade of his pro- not such action be only meting out to ducts, but its commercial value. It England what she is doing to us? will put him in a position to market Yes!' his crops when the demand is strongforward step in our cumbersome system of marketing."

The bill is not compulsory in any provisions affecting cotton

proposed by the bill are: Classification of cotton and licens

ing of cotton warehouses. It bonds owners and operators of warehuses and gives the right of re- Admiral von Tirpitz received me in a covery upon the bond to the owner private house, the home of a French of cotton stored. It licenses graders or classifiers of

It provices that licensed warehouses shall issue receipts describ ing the bales stored, the receipts to

be assignable when desired. It provides for maintenance of ac-

warehouses actually is of the grade to publish his findings.

It empowers the secretary to suspend or revoke licenses and to publish not only that fact, but the resrlts of investigations made.

FOUND MAN DEAD.

Sheriff Called to Scene of Dispute

Finds Negro Shot in Lungs.

Sunday morning a homicide of an unusual character occurred near fighting is in progress. This also is Ridgeland. It seems from the infortrue north of Lupkow Pass in the mation gathered that early Sunday morning an unknown negro called at the home of a negro near the town thoians our attacks in the district of limits, stating that he was sick and wanted some medicine; that the nethe front nor of the Krosnow and ed that he was a "root" doctor and victory over France," continued the away was that von Tirpitz advocates gro man who lived in the house stat-

> The unknown negro paid the amount asked, it was said, but in a back. The negro "doctor" refused

Immediately after the unknown nehe found the dead body of the un- nary antipathy to Germany. He lookknown negro, who had been shot in ed about and seized upon the growing the back with buckshot, one shot

REACH NO AGREEMENT.

England Still Maintains Her Author ity to Make Searches.

No definite agreement has been eached whereby England will refrain from searching ships which leave American ports with statements from English consuls that they are carrythere is no reason to believe cargoes may have been augmented at sea, but long negotiations between England and America have resulted in no positive understanding. It is stated authoritatively that consular inspections in most cases would expedite

Army Aviator Killed. Sailing from San Diego to inform manoeuvring there, Lieut. F. J. Gerstner, U. S. aeroplane corps, was killed

To Avoid Extra Session. Congressmen are determined to complete their program before March 4, so as to do away with the necessity for another extra session.

Negro Burned at Stake. Watkins Lewis burned to death a

Carnival Man Killed Self. G. D. Whitney, a carnival man, killed himself at Bamberg Saturday bles are given as a cause

TO USE SUBMARINES for which it was built." Returning to the sulpresent war. I asked

GERMAN ADMIRAL PLANS WAY TO STARVE BRITONS OUT

TALKS ON BIG OUESTIONS

-Asks Only Fairness.

the question to me.

"What Would America Say?" Admiral von Tirpitz slowly repeat- war?"

After several days at the Crown est and the price highest. It is a Prince's headquarters and the Ar- pu farmer's bill and a most far-reaching gonne I had motored to the Kaiser's field capital in France, where all the pelins are, of course, superior."

ing to the Kaiser's illness.)

advance, and on the door of which was a cardboard sign," Marine Department.

Power Grew From Piracy. or class certified in the receipt and it, "the domineering arrogance of the British culminated in the present war, crush the natural growth and de-

was established by robbery in all parts of the world.

"England and England alone is re sponsible for this war. Did Germany want anything? Did Germany make many bave any quarrel with any one? nounced and my interview velopment.

dates back as far as 1870, after our her power entitled her.

place where the negro was last seen it years ago. He had an extraordi-Pan-Slavism in the east and the 'revanche' idea in the west as his means."

"What are Your Excellency's views ductions. as regards the Japanese problem?"

asked. Warns U. S. Against Japan. and we will be the onlookers." Next will come a general European war, then will come a great war, in

England's act in bringing in the Japanese, von Tirpitz holds to be high treason to the white race. It is inexplicable to him that Americans can view with apparent indifference Japanese activity in the Pacific and their apparent inability to foresee grave possibilities arising in the near future. adness, bordering on bitterness, as he dwelt upon the attitude of America toward the war. The reported anti-German sentiment in America he said he could not understand, and

which my race will be against yours."

added: "We just ask the American people to be fair-that is all-as fair to us as to the others."

Praises Navy of United States. Admiral von Tirpitz paid a high ribute to the American navy, which, ne declared, was the superior of the Japanese navy.

"Ship for ship, man for man," he said, "I consider the American navy outclasses that of the Japanese; in fact, I doubt if it is surpassed by that \$1 Michael Malick, of Chicopee, of any nation. Your navy has kept Mass., kicked Larchec Swea in well in view the object and purpose head and killed him.

HOW ARMIES ADVANCE Returning to the subject of the present war, I asked how long it

might be expected to last. "That," he replied, "will depend upon England. It is said that England wants a war to the hilt. If England insists upon that, we can accommodate her; but there are some who still hope that England will be sensible and will listen to reason.' As the word "sensible" sounded

very significant to me, I asked: "Is Your Excellency one of those who have this hope that England will be sensible and listen to reason?" Von Tirpitz countered the interrogation with another question: "Do you believe England will be

sensible? Will Fight to "the Hilt." "That depends on what Your Ex-"If you mean an inclible," I said. nation in England to accept an early or easily adjustable peace, I am not optimistic at this time." Answering my question without de-

fining his own, von Tirptz exclaimed: "No, I am not one of those." "Then, I take it, Germany does not want to carry the war to the bitter extreme, or 'to the hilt,' as Your Ex-cellency has termed it?"

"Certainly it is not our desire or wish, but if England insists upon an dhis positions are much stronger

"What effect will Lord Kitchener's new army have on the war?" Kitchener's million. We still have try, it does still; and for us it at me as he leaned forward and put several millions of fine, physically fit meant an attack on skillfully, but men to draw upon, if necessary, and if we take those not quite up to our regular standard we can put still alry and Jaegers. more millions into the field. That we proportion of machine guns that we will fight to the last, if necessary, I think the world no longer doubts."

Zeppelins lately, Your Excellency. are the same, but they are stronger How have they proved themselves an and form part of a practically coneffective arm for the navy in this tinuous defensive zone consisting in

Value of the Zeppelins.

"Personally," replied the Admiral, am of the opinion that the heavier ype of the heavier than air machines is splendidly adapted for marine irposes, but for carrying large weights over a long distance the Zep-

Discussing the work of the submarines, I asked if one of the lessons of the war is that dreadnought have been rendered obsolete.

"It would be difficult at this stage to draw conclusions," repl'ed the ad-For once departing from his rigid miral. "That submarines are a new rule not to talk with newspaper men, and potent factor in naval warfare is unquestionable. Our success so far, of advance is necessarily slow. When however, hardly justifies the concluit is reported in laconic terms that unquestionable. Our success so far, banker who fled before the German sion that big ships have become obsolete. We have always figured that submarines could not stay out more amount to only a few yards. Tactithan three days on account of the men becoming exhausted. We now implied by even such a small step learn that the larger types have forward may be important, for a cruised clear around England and trench, a cluster of trenches, the pitz is a magnificent Teuton. He has often remained out for fourteen days. edge of a wood, a building, a village, a mind of steel trap order, is a mar- This is accomplished by going down curate records of cotton stored, the velous organizer and has more Bisin shallow and quiet water, settling receipts issued, the right of the secmarckian force and iron in his nature on the bottom and staying there marckian force and iron in his nature on the bottom and staying there further operations.

tunity, certainly," said the admiral, fleet, numerically one-third that of which England engineered in order to England, will itself offer battle, especially in view of still other military disadvantages."

> than an invasion of England by Zep- and blow them into the air." "I believe that submarine warfare against the enemy's merchant ships would be more effective," was the in-

direct answer. At this moment Count Tisza, the Hungarian premier, who had been any demands on any one? Did Ger- visiting with the Kaiser, was anwas brought to a close. Admiral von Tir-

frankness which had astonished me. Plans Submarine Blockade. Among the impressions I carried domineering, she didn't want Ger- blockade of England, and that they many to expand commercially or to contemplates torpedoing several mertake the place in the world to which chant ships, with the result that others would not venture to approach that country which would thus be

bottled up and starved. I believe also that von Tirpitz is not one of those who clamor for the complete crushing of England (even if possible), and I doubt whether he considers it possible. I gather that he is opposed to an aerial invasion of England, or an attack upon London from the sky, except as a last resort, and that in his opinion Zeppelins so from the hole." far have not proved themselves without strong rivals as a navy army in the heavier type of hydroplanes. appears to me that he considers a war an almost certain development of

the present situation in the Far East. But that there may be no misunderstanding, I must say that these are merely my own impressions and de-

TWO NEGROES KILLED.

ate Battle near Fairplay Two negroes were killed and four white men wounded in a battle be-

tween the four white men and a party of regroes at Fairplay in Oconec county. Sunday night. Allen Green and Green cibson are the dead negroes. The white men suffering wounds are: Magistrate W. C. McClure, shot in the wrt. .: John

hand; Paul Marrett, sprinkled with shot. It is said that a negro burned a barn near Knox's bridge in Ocones county Saturday afternoon and that Magistrate McClure, Woodrow Campbell, John McDonald and Paul Marrett went to the suspected negro's house and, carrying him to the plare where the barn was burned, gave

Campbell, suffering a wound on the

him a severe whipping. Returning they are said to have been attacked by a party of negroes led by Allen Green. Green was killed in the fight which followed, and Green Gibson died later from wounds received in the battle. None of the white men is believed to be fatally wounded.

The House has passed an emergen cy deficiency bill appropriating \$554,-731 to pay for expenses incurred at Vera Cruz.

Killed for One Dollar, Because he refused to pay a debt of

EYE-WITNESS TELLS HOW ENG-LISH MAKE GOOD GAINS.

German Machine Guns and Obstacles Prevent Gaining of Forward Trenches Save by Slow Progress.

velopments, written by an official observer attached to the British headquarters and made public Sunday by the official information bureau. The cellency may mean by the word sens- rectial brings the story of the war, as covered in these eye-witness re-

> tered resembles to some extent that force and assumed the offensive." the enemy is in much greater force

eastern end of the line implied a "We are not worried about Lord movement across a very difficult counhastily fortified strong points or villages, held to a large extent by cav-"Nothing has been heard from the There are still such points, and some some places of several lines of cunningly sited and carefully construct-

> "This zone really amounts to a known form of obstacle is used. Entanglements-to select the most common form-vary from loose coils of wire to securely staked networks of

"These measures of defense are only such as are to be expected from there are, of course, ways in which near it and lighted candles. these methods are applied, the rate ground has been gained at a certain cally, on the other hand, the progress or a knoll may have been reached, possession of which will facilitate

the nature indicated when once the high explosive shells until trenches, mines, and machine guns are reduced

ANSWERS TAUNT.

private houses exclusively.

guard and wireless stations. Answering the taunt that the Germans saved themselves only by superior speed, the statement says that the German cruisers crossed the full breadth of the North Sea four times in six weeks, and that no blame, therefore, attaches to Germany if the British fleet missed an opportunity, especially as Germany has shown a disposition to save Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admirally, the necessity of "digging the rats

USED BLANK CARTRIDGES.

The \$13,100 obtained by Frank ly wounding a policeman, is believed by police officers to have been shipped

two revolvers carried by Hohl contained blank cartridges and was used merely to frighten those whom he encountered in the banks. Cashier George Winters, who was powder burned by the discharge of Hohl's revolver, declared Hohl fired point blank at him when only a foot or so away. He was not wounded. No bullet holes were found in the walls McLonald, shot in the eye: Woodrow of either bank where the bandit fired at employees.

Little Child Killed.

Fumbling in a bureau drawer for some letters a small Greenwood child pulled out a pistol Friday, which went off killing Mattie Stalnaker, nine years old.

Latest air raids have been carried out by the Allies who have succeeded in dropping bombs in Brussels and Dunkirk. Buy Aeroplanes and Armored Autos.

The general appropriation bill includes \$400,000 for aeroplanes and \$50,000 for armored automobiles for the army. Greece Buying Tents.

Chile Sends Protests. Chile has protested to both Great Britain and Germany against alleged

violations of her neutrality.

MYSTIC STICKS OF JAPANESE

WILSON'S FULURE BRIGHT

Shortest Day of the Year is Selected by Dodama to Learn Secrets of the Future-Presents His Observations on the Armies and Navies Now Engaged-Roosevelt Has Finished.

Following a custom that was imported into Japan from China ages ago, Densho Kodama, a Japanese prophet and diviner, prayed before a fruit trimmed altar for two hours Wednesday at the Nippon club, in New York. While he prayed Kodama held in his hands bundles of slender sticks and occasionally he would burst the bundle apart, holding a portion in each hand. He would count the sticks and then he would write in his book of divinations.

1915 prophesies concerning the war, including the date of its ending, concerning the future of President Wilson, which was bright, and the future of Col. Roosevelt, which was rather

Kodama chose Wednesday for his prayer because it was the shortest day of the year. For many years on this day, it has been his custom, he said, to ask of the "Almighty Power" about national and international events and to announce his prophe-"But this year I was away from my own land," he explained, "and

so I made my devotions and sought answers to my questions here in the maze of trenches and obstacles. Every Nippon club of your city. The protaught to me as part of the Shinto ter's hammer, which was in evidence religion or any other religion. It left the room and want to the Ellen. wire to securely staked networks of came to the Japanese before the from eighteen inches to nearly six standard religions did. In Japan I Later she came back feet in height and of different widths. would have erected on my altar a plain piece of wood on which I would have draped decorations of white. troops which are well trained and But here I chose a little green tree have ample resources and time, and and decked it in white and put fruit they can be overcome. But where white decorations represent truth and the power and purity of the Almighty

A question submitted to Kodama had to do with Col. Rossevelt's immediate future.

"It was a picture of a stream running placidly down hill," he answer-ed. "No tendency to run uphill, or torrentous tendency. That means that Col. Roosevelt will be going down all next year and never going up at all. It also means that he will submit to had fainted. The witness went to the it. I saw this picture once before. I

saw when he inquired about President Wilson. "I saw a man rowing a boat across rough water," he said, by a prolonged bombardment with "and I saw him reach the other shore in safety. This means that President Wilson will face troubles, but "Is there any truth in the reports to scrap heaps, or to mine under them will solve them all right. I predict one connected with foreign affairs. He will settle them all right and when he has done so there will come an end to his unpopularity. The people will like him for doing it. One

will come to him from the Southwest. would say from Mexico. "When I asked about the end of ment of the English east coast the day a picture which enter a whitehot mixture of molten derman warships attacked unfortified ables me to predict that the war will steel over the object of attack, and towns, shelling churches, hotels and end next May by the intervention of fill the atmosphere with deadly gas. This a powerful nation. Since one of the making it impossible for fire-fighters statement points out that Scarobor- problems I saw brought to President to approach, has been invented by

intervenes to end the war." Kodama said that six of the twenty-one questions he asked as he prayed had to do with the armies and navies of the warring countries. In explaining the predictions he was willing to venture that all must be ful- jectile at Sandy Hook, he added. filled before May, since that month was to see the war ended.

"In the first place, he said, "the British fleet will do a very daring and bold thing in the spring. It will raid the German haval base and will successfully assault it. The battle will be one of the greatest ever fought in naval history-one to be remembered, and it will end in the complete Police Find That Auto Bandits Pistol destruction of the German naval base in spite of the mines guarding it. The German army, however, will before this time perform some brilliant exploits in Russia. The British cavalry will win victories greater than the artillery and infantry, while the French artillery and infantry will exceed in skill the French cavalry.

"The French losses will be more

the Germans will centre their assaults more directly upon the French than the English. I saw, when I when I asked about the French navy. pation of Roumania and Greece. predict for it surprises where it is not prepared. One such surprise, I believe, awaits it in Mediterranean waters. I saw a hunter hunting a mountain over for a prize when I asked about the Russian army. The prize, I would see, lay hidden upon another mountain. That means the Russian army will campaign in the wrong direction. I predict distrust of the general staff and a lack of harmony in the Russian army. placid stream appeared to tell me the fate of the Russian navy. It means the Russian navy will lie still and

never do anything in the war. "A thunder storm with thunder claps in all parts of the sky answered my prayer about the United States and Japan. The noise of jingoism between the two countreis will sound loud but will do little harm-more harm in Japan than in the United States. A frozen sea, thawing out, means that after the war good spirit paccies, and readily abandoned the depicted Japan and Germany. will prevail between us."

CHOKES WIFE TO DEATH

Greenwood Mill Village is Scene of Revolting Tragedy When Mill Man

Albert Tolbert, aged about 35 ears, reputed to be an industrious and sober citizen by all who have testified as to his habits of life, choked to death and then broke the neck of his young wife, Lola Hall Tolbert, Sunday afternoon at their home in the Panola Mill, village near Green-

wood. The killing is supposed to have taken place about 1 o'clock in the no more.

crime which had been committed un-enemy. The German emperor has til Tolbert opened his door, holding promised the war-worn troops rest At 1 o clock, when the ceremony a bloody knife in his bloody hands, and rewards at Warsaw, which he and said: "Phone the undertaker and Sheriff McMillan. I have killed

Long domestic trouble and a lack arily the main objective of his strate-of faith in his wife are supposed to gic scheme and draw his armies tohave been the cause of the crime. Tolbert told Mr. McCuen that he kill- the whole strategic front occupied ed her because she had been telling by the respective opponents. lies on him, that she was unfaithful, though he did not mention any details, and that she had made life happened before. As we know absoh-1 for him. He declared that he lutely nothing of the disposition of had determined to kill her a hundred the troops occupying the new positimes, but had desisted thinking that tions, it is impossible to form any

she would do better.

slight gash on her face, when she took the knife away from him. He then clutched her by the throat, and, regardless of her cries for mercy, choked her to death and then broke

ing signs of physical collapse from great beads of perspiration on his from this bulletin. All its definite forehead, gave Mr. McCuen the nar-expressions, such as geographical rative as related above. Mrs. Ellenberg said that when she heard screaming in the Tolberts' room and she thought Mr. Tolbert door, peeped in and saw Tolbert cut-

answered the witness heard the slain ily or an army corps, but pretty cer-"Albert, please, bert was heard to say, "You will

INVENTS EXPLOSIVE.

American Said to Have Projectile More Deadly Than Before.

A new projectile which would scat-Wilson came frem abroad I feel that John Hays Hammond Jr., according he may be the powerful force which to a statement made by the inventor at Gloucester, Mass., Monday night. The missile may appear soon in the European war, as some of the belligerents are negotiating for its purchase, he said. The United States is conducting experiments with the pro-

> ed that it carries an aluminothermic mixture which, five seconds after the projectile is discharged, turns the steel inside to white-hot mixture at a temperature of 5,400 degrees Fahrenheit. When the projectile hits, the in-

> ventor said, it explodes, its white-hot contents firing whatever inflammable material is strikes. To avoid the possibility of quenching the flames, Mr. Hammond said he had equipped the projectile with a chamber filled with hydrocyanic acid, the fumes of which are deadly.

WANTS THEM IN.

Entente Powers Would Draw More

staggering than the English because Balkans Into the War. Following categorical assurances o asked about the English army, a dog the Bulgarian government that it will swallowing a young chicken. The dog maintain strict neutrality in the war, was very sick as it had strangled the Entente powers-Great Fritain, upon a bone. This meant that the France and Russia-have given guar-Germans would have much trouble antees to both Athens and Bucharest trying to down the British. When I that Belgrade will not attack Greece asked about the British navy I saw a in the event the latter country assists rod being struck into the midst of Servia, and will not attack Roubreaking eggs. In that way the Brit- mania should that state actively parish navy will smash the German. I ticipate in the war. This is taken to saw a man being stabbed in the back foreshadow the approaching partici-

> Slain in Fight With Burglar. W. M. Alexander of Los Angeles, Cal., was shot to death Tuesday morning by burglars whom he discov ered in his home.

Held for Conspiracy. Eight Mexicans have been arrested at Nogales, Ariz., charged with conspiring to break the neutrality laws of the United States. Emperors Traveling.

Emperor Nicholas has gone to Mos-

cow, while the German Kaiser is re-

ported to be in the west, encouraging his troops.

Handles Many Cables. English censors have to look over 50,000 cables each day and give judgment upon them.

psychic mood in which he obtained Mr. Kodama, a middle-aged man them. He said that when he was middle, smiled a little over his pro- prophecies often come out wrong.

CRACOW RELIEVED

FOR SECOND TIME RUSSIANS ABANEON SEIGE OF CITY

BATTLES DESTRUCTIVE

Petrograd Explains Recent Wholesale Withdrawal of Russian Forces as Indicating Strategy of Tactical Movements to Secure Best Position

for Striking the Germans A special cable to the New York Times from Petrograd says the official bulletin of Tuesday evening mies, and reorganized the whole in a manner highly creditable to the ro-

lordered taken for Christmas. The Grand Duke Nicholas has again been compelled to abandon temporgether so as to hold the inner line of

Cracow and everything around Cra-cow thus have been abandoned, as opinion as to where the decisive battle will be joined. The wholesale withdrawal of the

held a few days ago, except those in front of Warsaw, indicates the strategy of the tactical movements to sestriking at the Germans. The latter have not yet succeeded in forcing the passage of the Bzura river, about five miles upstream from Sochaczew. The attempt nearly succeeded-in fact, a certain number of German troops did get across, but

Russian troops from all the positions

were flung back into the river and lost enormously at various other The Russians took several thousands of prisoners, and the Germans left thousands of dead on the field after the Russians' bayonet charges, but the general result is perceptible expressions, such as geographical names, show plainly that the last few days have been occupied almost en-

tirely in forced marches away from positions previously held. On the other hand, account of fights are given without any indication of the numbers opposed to the Russians at this or that point, so that expressions like "masses of killed" convey no definite impression. It night be a regiment w tanily was the former.

The withdrawal is believed not to be a retirement after unsuccessful fighting but a deliberate movement intended to secure victory under new circumstances. The elasticity of movement which the Germans next year, two of them domestic and phone for the undertaker and shown by the aid of railways only, phone for the undertaker and sheriff. the Russians now are exhibiting for the second time without other means of locomotion than those of nature. Very great forces are being pressed into the battle of mutual destruction on the separate positions from the left bank of the Vistula near Ilow southward along the Bzura and

Sometimes the Rissians and sometimes the Germans take the offensive German offensive, which is the fiereest in the north, results more favorably to the Russians as they approach the zone where the Austrians predom-

The most southerly of the battles which flows from the north into the The missile is designed for use in Vistula, thirty miles eastward of Crasiege guns. Mr. Hammond explain- cow. Here the Russians gained a victory over Danki, whose task apparently was to link up with the Austro-German army on the Pilica twenty miles east of Novo Radomsk and assist in the disposition of the German attempt to force a wedge between the Russian northern and southern ar-

mies. Immense slaughter is taking place n these battles and will doubtless be unabated until ascendency has been definitely established. In the region have been killed. The Germans used whose inhabitants were crushed to

German guns poured shell among the dense masses of men, women and children. Hundreds were trampled to death. At Lowicz the same thing occurred, hundreds being killed under the wrecked buildings.

had been fighting in the trenches. Five Dies in Tenement Fire. Arthur Corso, night telephone operator in New York, Thursday sent n a fire alarm and hastened out to

see his home in flames and his mother and four brothers and sisters dead. Cotton Cargo for Germany. The Pathfinder, a steamship, left Galveston Friday for Germany, load-

Killed While Burglarizing. When he attempted to rob a resaurant at Cincinnati, Thursday, Alfred Annan was shot and killed.

ed. although pursued. Jap Arms Sent to Europe. The Japanese war minister announced Fridar that 5,000,000 worth

of Dar Fur with 800,000 men is to the house and demanded his money starting to attack the British province of El Kab, belonging to the to refund, it seems, until at the point Egyptian Sudan, and that the Mos- of a pistol he was compelled to give way. England has no white man's lem population of Abu Raja has risen up the money. porting Hindu troops from Suakim gro left the house the negro "doctor" with any one, regardless of race or against the English. A train trans-

from proceeding. Paris reports: "The British troops have attacked and Monday morning for the purpose of recapturing the

gained a foothold in the enemy's trenches of the first line and have made progress in the woods of Saint

day night violent counter-attacks which were all repulsed. gained a foothold Monday night in ing no contraband. England is will-Boureuilles. Our attacks continued ing to accept these statements where

suspected cargoes is comparatively 18. The French report asserted that small. rear of the German positions.

ly the 9th battalion of French Chaus-

world, left New York Monday.

German Undersea Boats Could Sink Merchant Ships and Cut Off Food Supplies-Talks of Relations Between the United States and Japan

Karl H. von Wiegand sends the "America has not raised her voice

action against England's closing the

North Sea to neutral shipping. What

strongest man in the German govern- be there." ment and possible next imperial ganizing genius is largely responsible

"Why not?" he continued. "Engmore closely agricultural products and banking capital. It will result

"What would America say? Would

ministries and departments of the German government are now situat-(After this interview most of the general staff returned to Berlin ow-

Menetally and physically von Tirveloped by England until, as he put

velopment of the power of the German empire. "Britain's domination of the sea, he declared, "was originally founded pelins is being prepared?" on piracy, while her power on land

No; she only wanted to be let alone to continue her peaceful growth and de- pitz had talked with an openness and "England's anti-German policy

Throat Had to be Cut. "England is impartial. She will cut any one's throat who gets in her scruples. Her alliance with Japan shows that. She will form an alliance started for Ridgeland to get Sheriff color, if she can profit thereby. Gersome parties before he left what had ing too strong and too powerful and happened and asking them to watch was getting in England's way, so her the negro and not let him get away. throat had to be cut-that's it in a When Sheriff Porter reached the nutshell. King Edward laid plans for

> "That is for you! That is what you Four White Men Wounded in Despermericans will have to face and meet this von Tirpitz straightened up. His finger pointed straight at me as he said quietly: "I meant that in jest about our being onlookers. That would depend on circumstances. One thing I will say, Germany will never abandon the white race. Japan will make China a vassal and will militarize its millions. Then it will be for your country to look out! Admiral Togo once said to a European:

He spoke in a tone of deep

Vera Cruz Seizure Cost \$554,371.

PROPHET SHOWS FUTURE.

The great difficulties under which military operations in France and Belgium are being conducted are de scribed in a narrative of recent de-

ports, up to December 17. "The opposition now being encounmet with by us in the beginning of October, when we first reached the Franco-Belgian frontier, and bearre the Germans brought up their full rays the report: "It has one great difference, however, and that is that

"At that time an advance on the With the large

ed works.

than any other German official I have ordered in the men get their required to examine records, and requires reports from operations.

"Siege approaches, such as saps, read the height of his power, but he attacker to advance under an analysis of his views of the causes of his views of the causes of his views of the causes that led to the war, and traced the termine whether cotton stored in warehouses actually is of the grade veloped by England until, as he nut "but it can not be expected that our enemy's works are gained. The only certain method of preventing this is

> Germans Say Scarborough Was Forti fied and Whitby Had Wireless. A semi-official news agency at Berlin issues a statement contradicting

ough is fortified and that at Whithy the Germans shelled only the coast

Fired No Bullets. Hohl, the automobile bandit, who Friday robbed two banks at Cincinnati, Ohio, and was killed after fatal-

by parcel post to Louisville, Ky., by the robber. The police decided that one of the

Bombs in Brussels and Dunkirk.

Greece has ordered over a million dollars worth of tents from a Cleveland, Ohio, concern. They are said to be for peaceful uses.

CUTS WOMAN'S THROAT AS SHE

BEGS FOR MERCY.

Slays His Wife.

afternoon, but no one saw the dead body of the woman for nearly an hour, Tolbert stating that he "want- makes it sufficiently plain that we ed to be sure she was dead" before are in for a repetition, with differhe told anybody. Mrs. Ellenberg ences, of the first invasion of Poland. heard screaming, and later a pitiful The Germans brought up vast forces appeal from the slain wife, "Albert, against Russia, including the stifplease, please let me up, I am so fened remnants of the Austrian ar-weak," but the sobs soon were heard mies, and reorganized the whole in Mrs. Ellenberg had no idea of the cuperative powers of our formidable

her."

But Sunday morning Tolbert's rage seems to have overcome him and he carried out his plans of long standing. He at first decided to commit the deed with an ordinary carpenleft the room and went to the Ellen-Later she came back and he tried to cut her throat, making only a

her necks. When a small crowd had arrived Tolbert called Supt. McCuen, offering to explain his act. Then, nervously smoking a cigarette and show-

woman begging. please let me alone," and then Tolnever dray any more of my pay." The Elienbergs met Tolbert at a rear door, he showed them the bloody knife, acknowledged that he had kill-

Rawka to the bend of the Pilica below Tomazow. in these pitched battles, which can not be described as general. The

inate in the enemy's ranks.

of Sochaczew thousands of civilians eight-inch guns against the town and smashed the high tenement houses, death under the masonry. When the population tried to fiee along the broad road to Warsaw the

A Russian officer who was decorated for the capture of six German guns at Lowicz states that eighty German prisoners were women who

ed with 6,g50 bales of cotton.

Bombs Dropped on Dover. A German aeroplane dropped a bomb on Dover Thursday and escap-

of arms had been sent to Europe. Aeroplanes in Battle. British aircraft Friday engaged s

who were long hair parted in the younger and less adopt in the art his hostile machine which appeared over