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KAISER'S HEAVY GUNS SMASHED BY FRENCH FIRE

Three Batteries Put Out of Action in Battle Near La Bassee—German Trenches Captured.

Berlin Admits Allies Have Made "Insignificant Advances," But Reports Capture of Important Position in Argonne.

Furious fighting south of Ypres, in which both artillery and infantry have been engaged, is reported in this afternoon's official communique of the French War Office.

At St. Eloi, near Ypres, a vigorous German attack to regain lost trenches was repulsed. At other points along the line the artillery fire continues, particularly on the lines north of Rheims.

The advance of the French right wing toward Metz by way of Arnaville, which place was reported under bombardment a week ago, is now proceeding under the personal command of General Joffre.

Inch-by-inch fighting characterizes operations in Poland, where the Germans, cut off at Lodz and Lovicz, have succeeded in breaking through the Czar's steel ring which enveloped them earlier in the week.

The drive on Cracow continues, with constant Russian success against the Austrians. Sallying out from beleaguered Przemysl, the garrison delivered a telling blow on the Russian besiegers.

Petrograd, however, asserts that the Russians occupy all the passes of the mountain range and that bands of Cossacks are making incursions into the plains of Hungary.

Turkish brigands have invaded Serbia in the first decided move of the new war. Serb soldiers, who were riding a railroad, were annihilated.

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WOMEN FALL INTO SEA

Two Women Bring Down Two Craft at Cettigne.

Two women were seen to fall into the sea at Cettigne, Montenegro, on the 28th. The women were seen to fall into the sea at Cettigne, Montenegro, on the 28th.

ONLY 19 DAYS LEFT



TERMINAL MARKET HAS GOOD THINGS ON VIEW

The second annual food exposition opened today in the market at the Reading Terminal and shining stalls are replete with colorful displays of meats, vegetables, flowers and everything pleasing to the holiday palate.

VALPARAISO MOB ATTACKS GERMAN CONSUL'S OFFICE

Troops Called Out to Quell Riot in Chilean City—Several Persons Wounded in Fighting.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 2.—Anti-German riots are reported in Valparaiso today. Crowds swarmed the streets and stoned the German Consulate and other buildings.

MONSIGNOR C. E. KAVANAGH RESIGNS AS CHANCELLOR

Prelate Suddenly Surrenders Office Assumed in 1911.

SAVES BOY FROM LIVE WIRE

Youthful Hero Frees Friend From Powerful Electric Current.

COOKE'S ELECTRIC CHARGES NOT MADE CLEAR AT HEARING

Public Service Commission Unimpressed by Accusations Against Philadelphia Electric Rates.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 2.—Explanation of rates charged for power and light as shown on charts, took up the morning of the continued hearing today of Director Cooke's charges against the Philadelphia Electric Company before the Pennsylvania Public Service Commission.

BOY SCOUT FUND REACHES \$25,000 MARK IN 36 HOURS

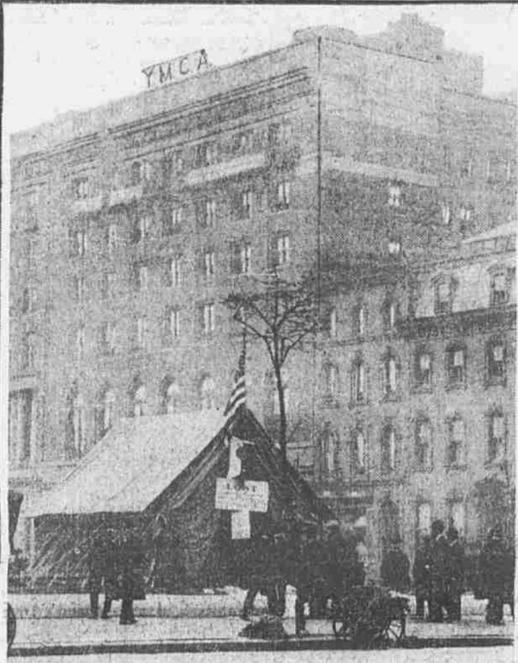
More Than One Half of \$50,000 Fund Already Collected—Push Campaign With New Vigor.

DOON FACES MAGISTRATE

Former Phillies' Manager Freed With Labor Leader on Speed Charge.

MUMMER CHOOSES '13'

Head of Kueker's String Band Says Number Will Do.



BOY SCOUTS CAMPING IN HEART OF CITY

This little brown tent, at Broad and Arch streets, looks odd in contrast with the high buildings surrounding it. It bears this sign: "Unless you boost the Boy Scout fund campaign, December 1 to 3, you have lost your best opportunity to boost Philadelphia."

ROTAN SAYS HE WILL RID CITY OF "REDDY JAKE"

Six Detectives Are Hunting for the "Bad Man of the Tenderloin" at District Attorney's Request.

PROGRESS OF \$50,000 CAMPAIGN FOR BOY SCOUTS

Amount reported first day, \$12,677.50. Amount reported today, \$13,210.75. Total collection to date, \$25,888.25.

GIMBEL TEAM LEADS

Billie Gimbel retains the pennant given to the captain of the team with the highest collection for each day.

MAYOR LABELS FOOD EXPOSITION AS BLOW AT HIGH LIVING COST

Dealers' "Strive-to-Please" Plan Is Marked at Opening of Second Annual Show in Terminal Market.

An attempt to reduce the cost of living is the underlying keynote to the second annual Food Exposition which opened this afternoon in the Reading Terminal Market.

MR. MARGERUM'S ATTITUDE

Prominent among those who have led the "strive-to-please" movement is William B. Margerum, a dealer in meats, whose name has long personified the reliable among housewives of this city.

UNCLE DUDLEY ALWAYS READY

Another dealer whose attitude represents the "strive-to-please" phase of the Reading Terminal Market is Watson Dudley, "Uncle Dudley," as he is called by every one who frequents the market.

"The Open Game"

In all its intricate phases, will be discussed in tomorrow's issue of the Evening Ledger by one of the gridiron's deepest students, William S. Langford.

COUNCILMEN LEND DEAF EAR TO CALL OF BETTER HOUSING

Seger and Connelly Contemptuously Refuse to Indorse Movement for Improvements in Homes of Poor.

The widespread appeal of the poor for sanitary homes, it was predicted today by the Evening Ledger, will be met today by the Legislature.

Common Councilman Connelly is known as the mouthpiece of the Republican Organization. Keen observers of housing conditions and those interested in the movement to eliminate the "Siberian cells," "living graves," "tenement caves," "cellar rooms," "living tombs," "garret sleeping quarters" and "chambers," "rivers" are of the opinion that many of the Councilmen will be guided by what Connelly said.

In a carefully worded statement before the Joint Committee on Finance of Councils yesterday Mr. Connelly said in part: "Before taking up the work of considering the annual budget, it is only fair to state that a resolution has been adopted by the Finance Committee, and the chairman has been instructed to make an appropriation at this time that, making the annual appropriation for 1915 there will be no salary increases anywhere, no new places created, nor an adjustment of any of the places, except where it is felt to be absolutely in line."

"Are you in favor of voting for the appropriations for the new division of housing and sanitation?" Mr. Connelly was asked later.

"I have nothing to say," he replied. "Are you in favor of the present housing conditions?"

"I refuse to answer," said the Councilman. "What is your attitude toward the new act passed by the Legislature?"

"I have nothing to say," was Mr. Connelly's answer. Mr. Connelly, before leaving the City Hall, said that nothing will be done until Director Harter, of the Department of Health and Charities, makes his appropriations known to Councils upon his return from Jacksonville, Fla.

Among the members of Councils Subcommittee on Finance is Dr. Thomas Morton, who is a dual officeholder. Besides being a coroner's physician he is a Common Councilman. He will have a voice and vote on the appropriation with which to conduct a department that is to maintain a strict watch on the owners of "tenement dens."

Since the movement for the betterment of housing conditions in the congested quarters of the city began, noted physicians have pointed out the effects of the tenement-house evil.

Recently Dr. Ross V. Patterson, suburban of the Jeffersonville, Ind., College, said that the mother, as well as the unborn child, was greatly effected through filthy conditions.

Doctor Morton's attention was also called to the housing conditions which exist in Philadelphia's tenements. Doctor Morton expressed the opinion that the present act was somewhat too drastic and that it was necessary to have the owner whose land and house was mortgaged. He thought that the present act should be modified.

SEGER STILL EXASPERATED. Select Councilman Charles Seger, of the 7th Ward, in which hundreds of "cellar rooms" are located, and who already has expressed himself as being against the housing law, declined to say whether he had changed his views yesterday.

"I have nothing to say," he said as he entered the chamber of Councils. "Have you changed your views?"

"I won't say a word to you, because

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SCHWAB AT CAPITAL TO EXPLAIN WAR CONTRACTS

Confers With Bryan About Furnishing Steel for British Warships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, appeared at the State Department today to explain to Secretary Bryan and Counselor Lansing the extent and character of the contracts he is said to have closed with the British Government for furnishing steel products for use in the construction of warships.

The steel magnate was accompanied by a small bodyguard of lawyers. The conference was held behind closed doors.

The State Department feared that the fulfillment of the contract by American firms would be a direct violation of neutrality. The furnishing of ships or parts of ships, under the international laws, could be construed as an act of war by the United States.

The Pennsylvania mills proposed turning out the steel for the British.

No War Tax on Cupid Until Government Gives Order

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