

GERMANY'S SECRET FORCES.

ALLIED NOTE TO BERLIN.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 3.—According to a Berlin telegram, the Allies handed a Note to the German representative at the Peace Conference on December 1, saying that all reports hitherto received unanimously state that for some time the German Government has been developing its military forces.

The Note refers to the formation of bodies outside the actual Army, like the Public Security Police, and the Volunteer Guard and Citizen's Guard, saying that they are in contradiction to the Peace Treaty. The Allied and Associated Governments demand that the measures referred to shall cease immediately and, in any case, that steps shall be taken so that when the Treaty comes into force, the so-called police troops shall be reduced to the strength provided for in the Treaty and shall be given a constitution corresponding to their character as a local police.

A semi-official German comment on the Note denies that the German Government is preparing to develop its military forces, and says that it is generally known, on the contrary, that the reduction of the Army to the stipulated 200,000 is in full swing.—*Reider.*
