AUSTRIAN SUPPLY SHIP IS BLOWN UP

Danube River Transport Loaded with Arms and Ammunition Strikes Mine.

EXPLOSION DESTROYS VESSEL

PARIS, April 2 .- An Austrian steamer, loaded with arms and ammunition, on its way from Semlin to Panchova, both ports on the Danube, struck a mine in the river last night, says a Havas dispatch from Nish. Serbian artillery immediately opened fire on the vessel, which exploded with terrific force.

British Cruisers at New York City Sail To Hampton Roads

NEW YORK, April 2-The two British oruleers which have watched the entrance to New York harbor for more than a month steamed away to the south during last Wednesday night, according to oming pilots today. The pilots thought the warships were going to strengthen the squadron lying in wait for the Prins Ellel Friedrich off the Virginia capes.

A report was current in maritime cirvies today that some of the float of German liners tied up at Hoboken and Brooklyn docks would soon put to sea. Steam was up on all the ships. However, since the liners first tied up they have maintained steam so that the vessels could put out from their docks in case

considerable amount of coal aboard. it was said. At the Brooklyn docks two of the liners, the Piss and the President Grant, both were amply supplied with coal. Customs officials have been stafloned at all docks where the Germans are tied up, with instructions to report manifestation of ships to sail without clearance papers. No application for clearance papers had been made today at the customs house on behalf of any

BUSINESS CONDITIONS BETTER. SAYS REDFIELD

enditions throughout the country show steady improvement, according to reports made by Secretary Redfield at today's cabinet meeting. The secretary ted extracts from various reports

Legislative

tricts and United States reclamation service.

H. R. 22. Daibey of Gage—Where road overseer orders weeds mowed along railway right-of-way and a inachine cannot be used. It cents an hour shall be paid for doing the work by hand.

H. R. 505. Committee on State Institutions—Provides for showing of patients financial inability before admission to arthopodic hospital.

H.R. 505. Committee on State Institutions—Full most of maintenance of children in State Home for Dependent Children shall be charged to the committing sounty instead of El a week.

H. R. 506. Stearns of Scott's Bluff—Includes officials of water districts among persons liable for misune of water or for stealing same.

H. R. 574. Rieschlok of Richardson—Appropriates \$250 for U. F. Euchhols for harms condemned in 1210 for glanders.

H. R. 601. Homestier and Harris—Appropriates \$250 for the purchase of additional land for the tuberculosis hospital at Roaring.

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H. R. 641. Foster of Lancaster—Appropriates \$5.600 to furnish new hospital saiding at Nebraska Orthopedic hospital at Lincoln.

H. R. 425. Nichols of Madison—Allows state banks to come within federal reserve bank law and in the discretion of state authorities to substitute its audits instead of state examinations.

H. R. 190. Figure of Beette Bluff—Appropriates \$12,500 for expenses of attorney general in defending rights of Nebraska water-users on interstate streams.

H. R. 457. Negley of Douglas—Allows 4tty council in Omnha to repair sidewalks along houlevards.

elly council in Omana to repair storwards along boulevards.

16. St. St. Liegott of Seward-Prevents action boards from employing teachers under previous contract with another dis-

riot. H. R. 22. Anderson of Boyd-Extends aw against eiding prisoners to escape to offenders against the laws of other states, territories or United States.
H. R. 79. Palmer of Douglas-Makes it a misdemeasor to faisely claim membership in a society.
H. R. 185. Hutton of Lancaster-Makes it a misdemeasor to use areenic in emissions fields.

Killed by Schafe Committee of the Whole.

R. 185. Liggett of Seward-Raises compulsory eighth grade education to an it applies to all under il years age instead of it.

R. 186. Reuter of Ottoe-Adds property from attor.

JAIL FEED GRAFT

(Continued from Page One.) 29 cents. This looked like a big reduction me of the members and they fell for it, but when it came to a vote there were not enough to carry it, only thirty members lining up for the "enormous cut."

How They Lined Up. Hunter and Richmond defended the graft, while Palmer, Larsen, Burgess and Lundgren assailed it as a fraud. All of there agreed that the feeding graft had me a public scandal and that it ought to be settled some way.

Then Negley got in an amendment, which finally carried by a vote of 53 to cents and at this point the committee of the whole arose and is expected to sit stiempt was made to make it a special again on the matter whenever the spirit order for next Monday, but it lost. Anose

members fined up as follows:
For-Barrett, Chambers, Hunter, Negley, Rishmond, Against-Burgess, Dreusedow, Larsen, Lundgren, Miner, Palmer, Larsen Produces Figures.

Mr. Largen had figures showing that it costs the state of Nebraska only 17 cents each per day to feed its convicts and employes in the positentiary, and from the Douglas county hospital he quoted an official report placing the cost at 13% cents per person, including immates and

Mr. Richmond came back with statistics furnished him by Arthur Mullen, who has been lobbying for the bill, from other states and from counties in Nebraska showing that 25 cents was some too much. He olinched his talk with the statement that Sheriff Gus Hyers of Lancaster county had just received a voucher from Weshington allowing him & cents a day for feeding federal prisoners. Richmond pretended the question was a campaign issue in Douglas county last fall and the voters re-elected Sheriff McShane by over

Mr. Peterson, opposing any rate above cost of feeding, said that he had been interviewed by Arthur Mullen and another interested man from Omaha, who

offered to compromise on 25 cents.

"This is nothing but politics," declared Mr. Trumbie, joining in the discussion.

"I agree with you," answered Mr. Palmer. 'If a leading democratic politician of Omaha can coine down here and spend the whole winter and put this bill through

the legislature, it is some politica. Palmer had a letter from members of in Omaha improvement club in opposition to the hill. This was pronounced by Mr. Richmond a "stall": and an "insult to this delegation." He referred to the signers of the letter as "Dave Fitch and his

United States Tugs Moored at Stem and Stern of the Eitel

Proceedings

NewPort News, Va., April 2.—Two United States tugs from the Norfolk havy yards arrived here chortly after non today and moored at the Prins Eltel would rules about \$36,000.

Bills Passed by Senate.

H. R. 24. By Several Members—Formal impropriation of normal school library unda for the purchass of books. Ayes, 31. mays, 0.

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Lieutenant Commander Svaro, United States havy, was among the government representatives at the pier.

Alleged Black Hand Leader Is Arrested On Murder Charge

LINCOLN, April 2.—(Special.)—The finance committee of the house has reported out two more institution appropriations as follows:

H. R. & Laundry at Milford Soidiers' home. \$7,500; reduced from \$10,000.

In the murder of Leonardo Vincense at Fairmord, W. Va., last Christman eve.

Ammirste, according to rederal authorities also is implicated in an effort te extort \$10,000 from James Butcherl. described as a wealthy business man of Harding. W. Va., by means of biachhand letters.

Vincense, whose home was in Venda, N. Y., was murdered shortly after his arrival at Fairmont to testify as a government witness against a member of the "Seciety of Vagabonds." Ammirsta was held for the West Virginia authorities, held for the West Virginia authorities, Rest recomments, was a performed county, Nebrasias, vice G. C. Maryotti Mrs. Caroline E. Berias at Areola, Laramic county, Wyoming, vice H. M. Wilson, resigned. Iowa pentoffices discontinued: Brown, Iowa pentoffices discontinued:

Omaha Light Plant CUT BY HOUSE Bill is Now Up to Governor Morehead

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 2.-(Special Telegram.)-The house late this afternoon adopted the conference report on the Omsha lighting plant bill and the rocasure is now ready for the signature of the governor.

The conference committee this morn ing agreed upon a report on Sen-ate Fite 6, the Omaha lighting bill. It changed the time for the appraisal of the old plant from 60 to 120 days,

The conference report on Senate File No. 4 was adopted by the senate by the close vote of 17 to 16 this morning. An voting to not concur in the amendment were Buhrman, Gates, Grace, Henry, Kuhl, Krumbach, Lahners, Mattes, Piller, Robertson, Ruden, Spencer, Weesner, both Wilsons and Wink.

Mallery, who yesterday declared the amendment unfair to the electric light company voted for concurrence change from 60 to 120 days.

Governor Suggests Thanks of the State To the Relief Board

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, April 2.—(Special.)—In a nunication to the legislature Friday morning, Governor Morehead called attention to the services rendered by the appointed two years ago, and suggested that a resolution be passed expressing the thanks of the lawmskers on behalf of the people of the state. A committee Mesers. Hostetler, Larson and Lanigan, to draft such a resolution.

The commission has had a report printed showing a balance of \$6,756 on hand out of the \$100,000 appropriation in 1913, which will go back into the state treasury. The members served without compensation and paid their own ex-penses. They were: Robert Cowell, W. A. L. Hall, William Miller and Arthur

Bill for Historical Society Building is Raised by the House

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., April 2. (Special Tele-ram.) The house this morning raised over the heads of the sifting committee House Roll 600, a bill calling for a spe-cial levy of one-fourth of one mill for two years for a historical society building to house the state library. There

the proposed centralised form of school government. This leaves it available for the use of about twenty-five counties.

As it stands about the only thing the bill does is to enable western counties by adopting it to give the districts off the railroads a share of the railroad taxes.

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Rent room quick with a Bee Want Ad.

Department Orders.

WABHINGTON, April 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Helen Queen was appointed post-master at Macy. Thurston county, Nebraska, vice G. C. Maryotti Mrs. Caroling E. Biorias at Arcola, Laramic county, Wyoming, vice H. M. Wilson, resigned. Iowa postoffices discountinued: Brown Chinton county, mail to Delmer; Newton Henry county, mail to Delmer; Newton

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