

Gas for street lighting was first used in Pall Mall, London, 111 years ago. A few experimental gas lights previously had been used in Golden Lane, but it was not until a few years later that the new form of illumination was gen-erally adopted in London streets. The first attempt to introduce the use of gas in America was in Baltimore ir. 1816. The project was unsuccessful. In 1829 it was introduced in Boston and 1822 it was introduced in Boston, and in the following year New York streets in the following year New York streets were lighted by gas. The system did not prove successful, however, until 1827. The use of gas spread rapidly to other cities in the United States and Canada. Resin and oil were used for producing gas in America in the early days of the industry. Until half a cen-tury ago the price a 1,000 feet ranged up to \$7, the average being about \$'.50.

Experiments conducted by the South-ern Pacific railroad to find the most ef-ficient means of handling the locomo-tive whistle show the average motorist or pedestrian is familiar with the standor pecestrian is raminar with the stand-erd crossing signal-two long and two short blasts-and that, unless the sig-nal is given just so, he is apt to dis-pute priority right to a crossing, Super-intendent T. Ahern, in a letter to engi-meers, says: "Extensive tests show that which a call for a station signal should neers, says: "Extensive tests show that a whistle call for a station signal should never be less than five seconds the long blasts of the crossing signal, two and a half seconds, and the short ones, one second. Particular care should be ex-ercised to cut of the blasts sharply and not to slur them. It is of the utmost im-portance in causing sound to travel that these instructions be carried out."

One of the many explanations that have been offered to account for the fact that migrating birds are able to find their way by night and in cloudy or foggy weather is that they are sensi-tive, in some way, to currents of ter-restrial magnetism, and therefore di-rect their flight by the magnetic meri-dians. This suggestion was put forth dians. This suggestion was put forth by M. A. Thauzies, a French pigeon fancier, who declares that carrier pigeons make poor flights during the occurrence of magnetic storms. He al-so asserts that the general use of wire-less telegraphy has diminished the re-liability of these birds to a surprising extent.

Benjamin Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette was the first American news-Gazette was the first American news-paper to print a cartoon. There were rumors of a possible war with the French, which resulted in a call for a meeeting at Albany of the representa-tives of the British colonies. Franklin was one of the commissioners, and to increase the force of an appeal for united action, on May 9, 1754, printed a cartoon representing a snake cut into eight parts, the head representing New England and the other seven parts the various colonies outside of New Eng-land. The legend read: "Join or die."

A pledge to save fuel oil is called for by Albert E. Swabacher, United States fuel administrator for Califor-States fuel administrator for Califor-nia, who has sent a letter to all loco-motive enginemen in that state. The Southern Pacific is the greatest con-sumer of fuel oil in that state and the co-operation of its employes is ex-pected to mean in the aggregate a great saving for other industries. Mr. Swa-bacher's letter says that the storage supply of fuel oil in California is de-creasing at the rate of 1,100,000 barrels a month.

Zero weather in this climate is par-ticularly trying because our ears are not protected. A hat invented by a Canadian would meet this need. At-tached to the sweatband at the back is a woolen flap which fits into the crown and is invisible when not needed, but can be drawn down as a snug cover-ing for the ears and necx.

More than 1,000 firms, partnerships



sented to Legislators Called Into Special Session.

Lincoin, Neb., March 23.—Gov. Keitht Neville, responsible for calling a special session of the Nebraska legislature Tuesday, for the purpose of passing an act to enable absent soldlers to vote, is preparing à voting-by-mail bill which will be introduced when the legislators appear for business. The governor de-fends the soldier vote plan. In the fol-lowing statement he referred to the recommendations of General Pershing and his staff to the war department and his staff to the war department against any attempt to record the sol-

"I see no objection to the plan pro-posed by Nebraska," said the governor. "It will be a very simple system of vot-ing by mail. It will permit a soldier to vote with no more trouble than it would be for him to write a latter home, with ing by mail. It will permit a soldier to vote with no more trouble than it would be for him to write a letter home, with the slight additional effort of having one of the company officers, or any commissioned officer, attest on the en-velope, a simple statement containing the soldier's name and perhaps his branch of service or organization to which he belongs. It will be a state-ment merely for the purpose of identify-ing the soldier who has written a letter back home. It is proposed to give him plenty of time so that he can mail his letter containing his vote either before or after election at home. The vote will be counted if it is received before the dated fixed by the act of the legislature for the canvassing of the vote. No trip to France by a commission is contem-plated. It is proposed that the secre-tary of state, with two assistants to be appointed among members of the two dominent political parties shall consti-tute the canvasing board. I can see no objection on the part of the military authorities to such a plan."

HER FIVE SONS IN

THE FEDERAL SERVICE Laurel, Neb., March 23.—Mrs. J. O. Smith has just given her fifth son to the country's service. She has two more, the oldest and the youngest, 28 and 12 years old, and the one eligible and 12 years old, and the one eligible is expected to make no claim for ex-emption. Mrs. Smith says: "I shall not say very much against his going, as I know how it is. I'd like to go my-self. It seems awful to sit here and not be able to do anything when help is needed so badly." Besides the seven some Mrs. Smith

is needed so badly." Besides the seven sons, Mrs. Smith has three daughters. Her husband died when the youngest child was a babe. The family came here from Jackson, Neb., soon after his death and the mether has labored hard to bring the mother has labored hard to bring up the family. The intervening years of toil have broken her health, but she says she can spare the boys now in the great fight for democracy and, if there is necessity, will part with her

Two of the boys in the service are in the field artillery, two in the navy and one is with an ambulance corps at Camp Cody.

TO PROTECT RIGHTS OF THE SOLDIERS

Lincoln, Neb., March 23 .- Governor Neville has sent to local boards of ex-emption copies of the act of congress recently passed, known as the sol-diers' and sailors' relief act. Judges and magistrates will be furnished copies, also attorneys who com-prise legal advisory board in each county, so they may assist in enforc-ing the provisions of the federal law. Its aim is to protect persons in milltary service from excessive hardship due to the forfeiture of sundry claims and rights or the maturing of legal obligations during their absence in mil-itary service, and due to their inab-ity to look after their business and inlands, tools or furniture on which in stallments are due, mortgages liable to foreclosure, homestead and mining claims, his right to sue or be sued and various kinds of insurance, may be pro-tected under this act .

By United Press. London, March 22.—British military officials are confident

Italians Repulse Several Enemy Attempts and Active Artillery Fighting Is General.

NEW THRUSTS AT FRENCH Germans Are Everywhere Repulsed by Poilus in Series

> of Widely Isolated Attacks.

Rome, March 23 .- Fighting is becoming more active along the whole front, the war office announces. The Italians drove back patrols at several points on the front and ejected an Austrian detachment which had forced its way into an advance post in U. S. Artillery Pulverizes Two the Frenzela valley sector. Along the Piave the aptillery fighting became more intens

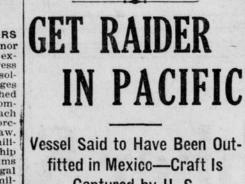
Paris, (Thursday) March 21.—The Germans are carrying out a heavy bombardment along several sectors of the front, it is announced officially. Three infantry attacks near Hurlus were broken up by the French. The tatament follows statement follows: "During the day the German artillery

"During the day the German arthlery kept up a very violent bombardment between the Miette and the Aisne, in the whole Rheims region and on the Champagne front, especially between the region of the Heights and Ville-Sur-Tourbe. Our batteries everywhere re-

Tourbe. Our batteries everywhere re-plied energetically. "In the sector of Hurlus the Germans made three successive attacks. "They were either dispersed by our fire or driven back by our counter attacks. East of Suippes, German raids were completely checked. Our artillery took under its fire and dispersed enemy col-amns, which were advancing in the re-gion south of Monthois. On the right bank of the Meuse and at some points in the Woevre our first line positions were bombarded rather heavily. "Macedonian Front, March 27.—There was reciprocal artillery activity in the

was reciprocal artillery activity in the region of Gievgheli and north of Mon-astir. Allied aviators successfully carried out numerous bol bing operations on enemy establishments in the Stru-ma and Vardar valleys and north of Moglena. An enemy machine was Vrought down in an aerial combat. "Belgian Communication-On March

20, the German artillery was very ac-tive carrying out for the most part bombardment of our communications with long range guns."



Captured by U.S. Cruiser.

BRITISH CONFIDENT BRITISH CONFIDENT.

the big German drive is stopped, but they sounded a note of warning today that the world's destiny may depend on the hu-man wall against which the enemy is hurling his shock troops. Correspondents at the front agree that the enemy is trying its "nut cracker" strategy on the Cambrai salient from the flank

seeking to straighten its line and pinch off an enormous number of British men and guns. During the last 24 hours the cannonading on the western front has been distinctly heard in Holland the Exchange correspondent at Amsterdam reports.



Lines of German Trenches

In Eastern

France.

By Associated Press.

With the American Army in France, Thursday, March 21.-Enemy first and second line positions on a part of the sector east of Luneville have been destroyed by American artillery fire. After the raid into the Germon lines last night the American gunners shelled the positions heavily all night and this morning.

Today a patrol without assistance from the artillery crossed No Man's Land and found that the first and second line had been wiped out. The patrol also obtained additional information and returned without cas-

ualties, the Germans apparently having decided not to molest them. Artillery firing by both sides on this sector continued all day.

Deserters Surrender.

On the sector northwest of Toul a number of Germans deserted last night and surrendered to an American patrol in a certain wood. The Germans approached

in a certain wood. The Germans ap-proached the Americans shouting, "Don't shoot." The prisoners were turned over to the French. Much information of value was obtained from the deserters who said they were "fed up" with the war and de-cided they would rather be prisoners. Included in the information obtained from the men the statement that during the gas projector attack against the American lines on February 27, 900 projectors were employed. One-half projectors were employed. One-half the projectiles fired fell within the Ger-man lines and the gas overcame many of the Germans. The next day, ac-cording to the deserters, 11 Germans were killed and 30 wounded while tak-ing out the dead

ng out the dead. American intelligence officers are inclined to doubt the story regarding 900 projectors; American information is that only 75 were used.

An American patrol last night en-tered the enemy first line and remained there six hours, but did not see any of the enemy. It is reported that the Ger-mans recently had constructed trenches that are concrete half way up on the

Fremont, Neb., March 23 .-- Fremont's Great activity continues behind the Red Cross auction sale will be held enemy lines. Within the last four days a number of rock crushers and con-

NEBRASKA "DRYS" TO **INSIST ON A VOTE**

Committee Will Push Federal Amendment Before Special Session of Legislature.

Lincoln, Neb., March 23.-Twenty cading temperance workers have been named as a legislative committee to present and urge upon the Nebraska present and urge upon the Nebraska legislature at the special session which begins next Tuesday the ratification of the national prohibitory amendment, it will meet next Tuesday for the purpose of organizing for the campaign. Elmer E. Thomas, who presided at the Bryan meeting Monday night, expresses the belief, that while some difficulties may be experienced in securing an endorse-ment from the state senate, he believes that it will eventually pass it. The house is overwhelmingly "dry." There are 18 senators who were listed as "wet" last winter.

"wet" last winter. Lawyers believe that there is con-siderable merit in the proposition put forward by Mr. Bryan that the legisla-ture is not prohibited from voting on ratification by the fact that the gov-ernor did not include it in his call. His reasoning is that the ratification or rejection of the federal amendment is a duty imposed upon the legislature by a duty imposed upon the legislature by the federal constitution, and is not a law or resolution that requires the ac-tion of the governor. Therefore, says Mr. Bryan, it is none of the governor's business, but entirely that of the legis-lature lature.

DIES OF ILLNESS

WITH THROAT TROUBLE WITH THROAT TROUBLE Lyons, Neb., March 23.—Charles Phillips died at his home Tuesday of throat trouble, aged 51 years, leaving three sons and one daughter, Nova, Clinton and Mrs, Gladys Bundy, of this place, and Owen, of Naper, Neb. He also leaves the following brothers and sisters: Rev. J. L. Phillips, of South Sioux City, Neb.; J. L., of Laurel; Rob-ert and T. B., of Carson, Ia.; Mrs. R. C. Peterson, of Winside; Sherman, of Cascade, Mont.; W., of Rolla, N. D.; Mrs. Arthur Peterson, of Bayard, Neb. He was born in Canada, and came here He was born in Canada, and came here a number of years ago.

MILLERS OF NEBRASKA TO GRIND SUBSTITUTES

Lincoln, Neb., March 23 .- State Food Administrator Wattles told the Millers club in session in Lincoln, that the millers of the state must prepare to grind substitutes for wheat flour as there will be no wheat for them within a short time. The whole country is to be put on a substitute flour diet in order that

on a substitute flour diet in order that the nation may redeem its promise to feed the allied armies. This will re-quire the movement out of the state of all wheat by the 1st of May. Mr. Wattles also said that the millers might expect irregular visits from gov-ernment inspectors in the future. There had been too much of a disposition to push up the price of substitutes, and this must be curtailed. The people should not be asked to make all the sacrifices. The millers must not expect to make money out of war. It is not a time for money making. He warned them because they have been able to get a better price for corn meal out-side the state than inside they will not be permitted to use that fact to force up prices in the state above those de-termined upon as fair. The club passed a resolution approv-

The club passed a resolution approv-ing Mr. Wattles' stand that farmers with wheat shall not be permitted to exchange it for flour, but must buy on the same terms and conditions as others.

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PIONEER NEBRASKA

JURIST IS DEAD Omaha, Neb., March 22 .- Judge John Q. Goss, 91 years of age, pioneer at-torney of Nebraska, died at his home

PACKING CONCERN IS SCORED BY ATTORNEY

Its Appeal in Workman's Compensation Case Said to Be Like Prussianism.

Lincoln, Neb., March 22 .- In the opinion of Attorney H. F. Rose, communicated to the supreme court during the argument of the case of Harry Mil-ler against Morris & Co., the packers have earned an iron cross as faithfully as has any Prussian general by assert-ing that they should not be called upon the case a method in the multias any Prossian general by asset ing that they should not be called upon the pay a weekly indemnity, under the compensation law, to a former employe who has been able to perform work since his injury. This occurred two years ago, and by two appeals to the supreme court the packers have evaded the necessity of paying him the \$400 a year the first trial court awarded him. "The theory that an injured man must either let his wife earn the living or starve while his employer iltigates for two years its Hability, which has been evident from the beginning, is too monstrous," said Mr. Rose, "to be seri-ously entertained by any court or in any land where the instincts of humanity still prevail. It is a theory which would win the iron cross for any Prussian general on duty in Belgium."

FARMERS NOT SO

ANXIOUS FOR CARS

ANXIOUS FOR CARS Lincoln, Neb., March 22.—The 40 per cent drop in the price of corn at the primary markets has had a salutary ef-fect upon the condition of the thou-sands of bushels lying upon the ground in Nebraska and awaiting shipment on the railroads, and for the better. A week ago, when the price was \$1.80 the state railway commission was besieged with applications from producers and dealers who wanted cars. The need was immediate, because further delay meant that it would rot where it lay.

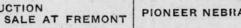
that it would rot where it lay. Since the price dropped to \$1.40 the corn condition has improved. At least corn condition has improved. At least that is the opinion of the railway com-missioners, to whom the railroads are turning with queries to know why or-ders for cars are being cancelled. A few days ago several citizens were down from Thurston county, demanding cars at once or 400,000 bushels would be ruined. The commission sprang to their aid Now they have word that the cars ald. Now they have word that the cars ordered were cancelled because the market was off since the allies quit buying.

SUFFRAGE QUESTION

STILL IS BOTHERSOME

Lincoln, Neb., March 22 .- Attorney General Reed, acting for Secretary of State Pool, has filed a demurrer in district court to the petition of the suf-fragists who want to enjoin Mr. Pool from placing the referendum petition on from placing the referendum petition on the limited suffrage law passed a year ago, on the November ballot. Mr. Reed raises the peint that a private citizen cannot maintain such an action, and that only the state can do so. He says that if the demurrer is overruled the secretary of state will make no further defense, as he is convinced of the fraud-ulent character of the referendum pe-rition. This will leave the anti-suffrage utent character of the referendum pe-tition. This will leave the anti-suffrage association of Omaha to battle with the suffragists, who claim that 15,000 of the names are fraudulent, fictitious or forged.

forged. The attorney general bases his point on a decision in Oregon that only the state can challenge the integrity of referendum petitions, and the Nebras-ka law was drafted after the Oregon model. Mr. Reed says that if the point is upheld he will at once file a petition asking that the referendum petition be cancelled on the ground of fraud. cancelled on the ground of fraud.



d individuals doing business in Pennsylvania under assumed names have registered the real names of their ownfound that women were not only man-agers, but owners of stores, factories and other industries.

Lloyd A. Lehrbas, of Pocatello, Id., who is in the aviation corps, wrote the following message to his father: "I'm going to fly back to Berlin, where you came from, dad, and drop a bomb somewhere near your old house." His father answered: "God bass you, son; I'm proud of you."

There are 150 cities in the United States with population in excess of 50,-000, and practically every one of these cities has hundreds of acres of park land. These park acreages, the govern-ment believes, could easily maintain 150,000 sheep each summer.

The loss of life in the British forces at the front, from all causes, is only a little more than 2 per cent a year. Of the 2,500,000 bables born every year in the United States, more than 350,000 die before they are a year old. That is more than 14 per cent.

The English laughter maker, Will Evans, enjoys a vast popularity at Drury Lane, London, where he is ap-pearing in "Aladdin." Thirty-six years have passed since he made his first aparance in pantomime as an anmimal mimic.

The first test of shrapnel was made in England 112 years ago, when a com-mittee of British army men reported favorably on the invention of a fellow officer. Henry Shrapnel. Shrapnel was first employed in warfare in 1806.

While filling out a questionnaire the examiner asked an Armenian, of Pot-tersville, Cal.: "Have you any depend-ents?" "Yes," he replied. "Name them," demanded the examiner. "A horse and 10 cows," reported the registrant.

It is believed the coal that is ob-tained in the operation will go far to-ward paying the cost of building a pro-posed tunnel under the Firth of Forth, in Scotland, as there are mines at each end of the projected line.

Every man in the United States army takes the federal oath at the time of his enlistment. Members of the na-tional guard take what is known as the dual oath, which covers both state and federal service.

Because of the extreme low water in Red river, from which Fisher, Minn., gets its supply, the residents of the town will be allowed to take baths only on days designated by the council.

The miners of Spitzbergen are now in daily touch with the remainder of the world by wireless. Heretofore they received their news by mail, sometimes at eight month intervals.

K. C. (Kronn) Beck, rabbit king of Kansas, has promised to give every Kansas nerro drafted into the army the left hind foot of a rabbit, which is a famous charm.

The new railroad mileage built dur-ing the year was 962, which is less than in any year since the civil war, except 1915, when 933 miles were contructad

COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOUND NOT GUILTY

FOUND NOT GUILTY Lincoln, Neb., March 23.—County Commissioner Carl O. Johnson was acquitted by a jury in the Lancaster county district court after the jury had been out for many hours. The defen-dant was indicated by a grand jury in session in January, charged with aiding and abetting one William Hayden to obtaining \$100 from the county under false pretetnses. Other indictments were handed down against the com-missioner. County Attorney Peter ex-pects to handle the other cases next week. Mr. Johnson has been a county commissioner for nine years.

TEACHERS PLANNING BIG MEET AT WAYNE

Wayne, Neb., March 23.—The pro-gram of the North Nebraska Teachers association to be held in Wayne March 28 to 30 has been arranged. In the declamation contest 33 schools will compete. The Civic Improvement club compete. The Civic improvement club, of Wayne, will care for the comfort of the teachers. All sessions will be held at the State Normal. The officers of the association are: N. A. Hansel Madison, president; C. A. Jones, Laurel, vice president; Mrs. M. A. Phillips Wayne, secretary; H. B. Simon, Nor-folk, treasurer. A large attendance is expected. expected.

NEW BISHOP NAMED FOR NEBRASKA DIOCESE

Rome, Wednesday, March 20.—The Rt. Rev. Charles J. O'Reilly, bishop of the diocese of Baker City, Ore., has been appointed by Pope Benedict, bish-op of the diocese of Lincoln, Neb.

IOWA IS ABOVE QUOTA IN BIG BAPTIST DRIVE

New York, March 22.—In the drive being made by the Northern Baptist laymen to raise a fund of \$1,000,000 six states, Arizona, Delaware, Iowa North Dakota, Utah and Pennsylvanis have already reached or exceeded their upota, it was announced here today juota, it was announced here today The campaign will close April 7.

Tuesday is said to be the only da. of the week which is not recognized us the Sabbath by one people or another

REFUSE TO EVACUATE THE ALAND ISLANDS

Amsterdam, Thursday, March 21. The main committee of the German reichatag has voted, 12 to 10, against a motion of the independent social dem and not interfere with the internal af-fairs of Finland by the dispatch of troops and the supplying of arms.

Sivty men a thousand are now being killed in the war, and about 150 men out of each 1,009 are wounded,

A Pacifis Port, March 23 .- A German raider operating in the Pacific ocean has been captured by a United States cruiser and is now being towed

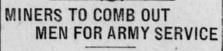
States cruiser and is now being towed to this port, according to a report re-ceived here today. The raider is said to be a compara-tively small vessel, but capable of sink-ing any merchant ship on the Pacific. It is alleged to have been outfitted from the west coast of Mexico, and was manned by an all-German crew. The manner in which it secured clear-ance papers is not yet known to the United States officials and it is said that already an investigation into this aspect is being conducted by departwithout result. With the American Army in France, March 21.—The raid into the German positions east of Luneville last night by American and French troops was carried out under cover of darkness and as a haze began to roll in over the aspect is being conducted by department agents.

HENEY WILL EXTEND SCOPE OF INQUIRIES

Plans Investigation of Butter, Eggs, Poultry and Canned Goods Market.

Kansas City, Mo., March 22.—Francis I. Heney, general counsel of the trade commission, conducting an investiga-tion of the packing industry of the southwest here, announced today that he expected to open a general investi-gation of the butter, eggs, poultry and yanned goods market in New York next week

week. Mr. Heney announced that he would go to Washington at the conclusion of the Kansas City hearing and thence to New York.



London, March 22 .- It is understood

that the miners' federation has accept-ed the government's proposal regard-ing the combing out of men for mili-Asparagus waste now furnishes a good quality of cellulose, this having been accomplished through the discovtary service. ery of a German scientist.

rock crushers and concrete mixers have been brought up and there are signs that the Germans in-tend to construct a number of new pillboxes opposite the American front. Sev-

eral trains of material have arrived at towns in the German lines during the last 24 hours. Today's reports say that three Ger-man airplanes flew over various parts of the American front line at daybreak and fired their machine guns on our as high as \$25,000. positions. Their efforts, however, were

RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS DEFENDANTS IN SUIT

Lincoln, Neb., March 23 .- The three members of the state railway commismembers of the state railway commis-sion, their counsel, Hugh Lamaster, and E. S. Ripley, examiner, have been served with notice from Omaha that they have been made defendants in a suit for \$50,000. Don E. DeBow is the plaintiff, and he says he has been damaged by reason of a prosecution and imprisonment ordered by the com-missioners in the enforcement of recuhills facing the American lines on that particular portion of the sector. From an observation station high in missioners in the enforcement of regu-lations of the blue sky department. DeBow says that he was arrested on a charge of selling securities to a man who was not authorized to deal in them. This was not true, and DeBow was acquitted. He says he has been for years engaged in the business of selling se-curities and his reputation has been damaged by this arrest and prosecu-

NEBRASKA PIONEER IS DEAD AT LYONS

Lyons, Neb., March 21.-S K. Stone by one of the earliest pioneer settlers of this part of Nebraska, died at his home here, aged 77 years, leaving three chil-dren as follows: William J. Stone, Mrs. C. M. Viles and Mrs. Harry Cates, Mrs. C. M. Viles and Mrs. Harry Cates, all of this place. His wife died about two years ago, since which his health gradually failed. Mr. Stone was born at Darlingtown, Canada, March 28, 1841, and was married to Miss Susan McKatherine while residing in Wiscon-sin. He leaves a brother, Alexander, and a sister, Miss Cornelia Stone, both residing at Norfolk, Neb residing at Norfolk, Neb.

FREMONT-The resignation of Gler Wintersteen, first lieutenant of the Fre mont home guards, has been announced Mr. Wintersteen says that he quits in order to prepare himself for actual service in the army. He says the preparation for this service will require all of his time

FREMONT-At a citizens caucus at Hooper the following names were selected as candidates for the village board, three nembers to be elected: Norman Shaffer, M. R. Meyer, Sherman Whit-comb, A. M. Thillman, Will Dau, P. J. Ewald, A. E. Tunbery, Mohn Mitchell, Ed Peppmiller, Henry Schroeder.

FREMONT-Ross L. Hammond was Forced to cancel his speaking date at Valley owing to a severe cold, and is resting at his home in Fremont. Mr. Hammond has lectured 75 times on his trip to the European battle front.

FARMERS PREPARING FOR SPRING WORK

Artesian, S. D., March 21 .- The roads and fields are fast drying up and the farmers are beginning to talk of spring. It is reported that some of them have already started to plow. However, the most of the farmers will hold off for another week at least.

in Bellevue, Neb., last night of pneumonia. Judge Goss was a member of the territorial legislature in 1860. He served as a lieutenant in the second Nebraska cavalry in the civil war. He afterward filled many civil offices. He was a Mason and one of the founders of the Pythian order.

WOMEN TO FIGURE IN **MYSTERIOUS MURDER**

Business Man Shoots Banker in His Home-No Explanation Is Given.

Lexington, N. C., March 20.-J. Franklin Deaderick, cashier of the Commercial and Savings bank was shot and killed here yesterday afternoon by J. Graham Hege, manager of the Southern Upholster company, in the living, room of the Hege home. Five shots were fired, two of which took effect. Hege Immediately telephoned to the sheriff and gave himself up. Further than to say that he shot in defense of the honor of his home, Hege would make no statement make no statement.

The men had been neighbors and the best of friends. The dead man was a nephew of former Governor B. Glenn, of Winston-Salem. Hege was com-mitted to jall without asking for bond. mitted to jall without asking for bond. No definite information regarding Deaderick's presence in the Hege home could be obtained. J. T. Hedrick, a business associate of the dead man issued a statement saying Hege had invited Deaderick to the Hege home. Hege denied this but declared he had had an interview in mind. Mrs. Hege and her husband stated that Deaderick was killed with a pistol

tails of the events leading up to the killing

Deaderick went to Asheville several weeks ago, his friends explaining that the trip was due to a nervous break-down. He returned here Saturday night last. Counsel for the Hege family figure in the outcome of the case.

Deaderick was about 35 years old and in addition to his widow is survived by two children. Hege is about the same age and has several children.

CONSISTORY NOT CALLED.

Rome, Tuesday, March 19.—There will be no consistory until the war is over Pope Benedict said today upon hearing that the report had been pub-lished that he intended to call a consistory shortly.

STRIKERS RETURN.

Baltimore, Md., March 20 .- The 600 Baltimore, Md., March 20.—The 600 riveters, caulkers and reamers em-ployed by the Baltimore dry dock and ship building company who struck yes-terday for higher wages returned to work today and workers was proceed-ing as usual an official of the company stated stated.

Kaiser to Front; Bulgars And Austrians Aid Drive

taliated.

London, March 23.—Emperor Wil-Steiner, who is now in Berlin, is said fam, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg to have promised Field Marshal Von and General Von Ludendorf: have gone to the western front to witness the Berman attack, says an Exchange Tele-graph dispatch from Copenhagen. Bul-west began. garian and Austrian troops are now on the western front, the dispatch re-

Berlin, March 22 .- News that the big The Bulgarian troops which have ar-ived on the western front will be used is a strategic reserve, the dispatch front is not large, but Austrian cannon in great amount have been concentrated there. The Austrian war minister, Von Austrian war minister, Von

From an observation station high in a tree top, the correspondent watched the artillery preparation. It began soon after dusk, orange colored bursts of flame where the American guns were firing showing in certain places in the wood around about. From the hillsides across the valley the German guns re-taliated. For more than half an hour, the bril-liant bluish-white flash of their guns was like a jumping electric spark here and there. Soon the reports of the ex-plosions became a deafening roar which tion.

rolled in from everywhere as the guns far and near came into action. This far and near came into action. This was the time for the barrage. From the spot where the shells fell a constant red glow showed through the darkness. At the same time the German guns increased their fire.

As the barrage lifted the roar be-came quiet just at the moment the Americans and French went over the top. The noise of the German guns sounded like some one beating a big bass drum. The first members of the raiding

party to return to the American first line were the stretcher bearers. When all the raiders had returned, dull ex-plosions sounded from within the enemy lines and occasionally there were bursts of flame showing their dug-outs were being blown up. dull ex-

from 1 to 2 o'clock, while a parade is held. Mayor Wiley issued a proclama-tion today urging them to close. All sorts of articles have been donated for the sale, ranging from pigs, cows and chickens, to articles of clothing, furniture, buggies, wagons and automobiles. It is expected that \$10,000 will be realized. Some of the sales in cas-tern Nebraska have brought in a total

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