TEUTONS PLAY

LOSING GAME IN

Gains in Galicia and

Poland.

Athens Dispatch Reports Bombard-

BRITAIN STICKS BY BLOCKADE

Snow

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TWO OSSOWETZ FORTS RAZED BY GERMAN CANNON

Great Guns of Kaiser Demolish Defenses of Russ Stronghold and Silence Their Artillery.

BERLIN MAKES THIS STATEMENT

Petrograd Announces that Assaults of Teutons on Place Have Been Repulsed.

CONTINUE GAINS IN MOUNTAINS

BERLIN (Via London), March 3 Two of the Russian forts at Ossowetz, in Russian Poland, have been demolished and their guns silenced, according to a dispatch printed today in the Cologne Gazette.

Ossowetz is an important fortress in northern Poland, near the Prussian frontier. It is one of the points of support in the fortified line to which the Russian Tenth army fell back after its retreat recently from East Prussia.

Advances Repulsed. PETROGRAD, March 1.- The war office

issued the following statement today: Between the Niemen and the Vistula (Northern Poland) the Germans delivered attacks only to the region of Ossowetz March 1 and 2, Many attempts of the enemy to approach the fortress were repulsed. In the region of Grodno and in other rectors of the whole front our troops continued to make progress.

We took by assault the village of Kerjon, on the left bank of the River Amouleff, where we took prisoners ten officers and certain numbers of soldiers and captured two rapid-fire guns..

Deliver Fruitless Attacks. 'In the Carpathians between Ondaya and the San, we continue with complete i success to repulse formidable attacks of the Austrian army. The Germans delivered fruitless attacks in the region of Koziouwka and Roujanka. At the latter, point we succeeded in enveloping and annihilating two German companies.

"In East Galicia the Austrians, who were defending the passages of the River Lomnitza, suffered a new and very serious check, our troops, while fighting, crossing the river and occupying the village of Krasna. The following day we took 600 prisoners with six officers, four cannon, seven rapid-fire guns and a large quantity of regiment and division

Kaiser's Organ For

Premier Asquith's recent speech in the House of Commons on which he out- funds of the bank. lined Great Britain's retaliatory measures for Germany's submarine blockade of the British Isles, says:

"Our submarines will now, we hope endeavor to destroy all goods destined for Great Britain. Great Britain wishes war to the knife; it shall have it.

Miss Carrie Kumpf, School Teacher, Dies

Miss Carrie Kumpf, who has been teacher in the first grade at the Edward Rosewater school for the last twentythree years, died at her home, 1615 California street, following an illness of three months. Miss Kumpf was a member of the faculty at the one school during her entire career and her work was always highly commended by her superiors, her associates and her pupils.

Miss Kumpf was 50 years of age Funeral services will be held from the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in Prospect Hill.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Thursday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity -Snow, not much change in tempera-



Lbout Record Comparative. 1915, 1914, 1913, 1312

Highest yesterday Lowest yesterday Mean temperature Precipitation

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State
of Weather.
Cheyenne, cloudy
Davenport, cloudy
Denver, spow
Des Moines, cloudy
ander, spow Temp. High-Rain-7 p. m. est. fall 16 24 .08 ort Platte, snow... Pueble, part cloudy. Rapid City, snow tapid City, snow.....

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

EPISODE OF THE WAR .- "The Germans in their retreat near X, blew up the bridge, which disappeared behind clouds of smoke."



MATTERS GUILTY IS JURY VERDICT

Finds Against Defendant in Federal Cleveland Boosters Spend Day in the Court on Nineteen of the Twenty Counts.

FOR WRECKING SUTTON BANK

Thomas H. Matters was convicted by a jury in federal court on nineteen indicted by a grand jury.

Kaiser's Organ For

Sinking All Ships on

Way to British Ports

May to British Ports

Amsterd by a stand full.

Fifteen counts of the indictment each charged matters with aiding and abetting president Luebben of the First National bank of Sutton in issuing certificates of deposit without authority. The other count charged him with aiding the president needs of the states of the city, all day, here the cologne Gasette commenting on the last leg of a trade extension trip force as sufficient return on the capital full day, here on the last leg of a trade extension trip force as sufficient return on the capital full day, here forced as a full way commission give all railroad bills a hearing, and grant relief if deemed advisable. The principal the part of the petition section?

Trumble was mad. He got the eye of the legislature and railway commission give all railroad bills a hearing, and grant relief if deemed advisable. The principal the part of the petition section?

We know that for the last ten years the cost of labor and other items, and grant relief if deemed advisable. The principal the part of the petition section?

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The jury took the case at 5:10

terday morning. jury was ready to come sown. When the jurors appeared the foreman

said certain of them wished to have the court's instructions read again; that part of them defining what "intent" means as used in the statute in speaking of necessity of "intent to defraud the bank." After Judge Youmans had read this part of them again the jury retired again

Reaches a Verdict.

At 11:30 o'clock word came that the the Cleveland visitors. jury had reached a verdict. Some delay attorney were not in the building. They were soon reached by telephone and at 11:45 o'clock the jury, judge, attorneys for both sides and the defendant and his Porter Released, son were in the court room.

Foreman Martin Kerl handed the verdiet to the judge. Two forms had been prepared for the use of the jury returning their verdict. One of these was a small sheet of paper which alias Howard Pindle, was discharged yes-

King George Is Kept

Sayville, L. I.)-"The German embassy at The Hague, states that a German submarine was attacked in St. George's a charge of impersonating a United channel, February 21, by a steam yacht, States officer. which was equipped with wireless ap-

paratus, but did not dusplay a war flag. "The king of England has postponed his trip to the continent, apparently on account of the German submarines. It reported from Rotterdam, that parts of the British army have refused to cross the channel, owing to fear of aubmarines.

'An army order issued to the Tenth Russian army, which was annihiliated in East Prussia prescribes special measures against deserters."

J. W. CROSBY, FIRST MAYOR OF COWLEY WYO IS DEAD

COWLEY, Wyo., March 3.-Jease Crosby, who died at his home here sev- the treasury, to succeed Gabe Parker, eral days ago, was one of the most prom- who recently became our ment Mormons of Wyoming and held the five civilized tribes. Teches is a Cherooffice of president of the Cowley stake, kee Indian, now attorney for that tribe He was born in Salt Lake City in 1848, in Oklahoma. He was formerly a memacross the plains, and was prominent in legislature. church affairs in Utah, California, Idaho Oscar A. Price of Renceverte, W. Va. Wyoming to assist in colonizing the Big department, to succeed Robert W. this town, serving three terms.

COME, SEE AND ARE GIVEN GLAD HAND

City and Are Charmed with Its Importance and Greatness.

GUESTS AT COMMERCIAL CLUB

For thirty-five years the members of the twenty counts on which he was the Wholesale Merchants' and Manu- to the petitions, while 5,825 workingmen the fence on the proposition and desired facturers' board of Cleveland. O., the legislature and railway commission angles.

on the last leg of a trade extension trip that when completed will have covered around 2,000 miles. Although a heavy snow Tuesday afternoon, held an evening continued to fall during the entire day, session in the jury rooms at the fed- this did not deter them from seeing eral building, retired to sleep at their Omaha and when they left the city hotel and resumed deliberations yes- last night, en route to St. Paul and Minneapolis, they all expressed themselves delighted with the city, its peo-At 10 o'clock word came to the court ple, its business enterprises and indusroom where Judge Youmans was hear- tries and the courtesies that had been ing a motion in another case, that the extended during their stay. The only thing that they objected to was that they were impressed with the fact that their money was not good and that no

> The last thing on the entertainment program of the day was the luncheor at the Commercial club at noon. There all of the visitors and not less than 500 members of the local club were at the master, extending the city's welcome to

one would take it.

In behalf of the Commercial club Frest was caused because Mr. Matters and his dent McCague extended the welcome of (Continued on Page Pour, Column Three,

Then Rearrested

Harry B. Porter, alias Allan Duggan, they were to fill out in case they found terday in federal court by Judge Youthe defendant not guilty. The other was mans, after a hearing, and immediately s large sheet which they were to use if rearrested on the same charge by the Continued on Page Pive, Column Three. United States authorities.

Porter is having trouble, because it alleged he didn't pay a board bill some \$15 in Deadwood, S. D. Home by Submarine plaint from his landday, Mrs. H. Parrell, who mentioned that in his negotia-

BERLIN, March 3.-(Via Woreless to had mentioned that ne was a "govern tions and promises regarding the bill, he ment secret service operative." On this statement he was arrested or

> Three weeks ago the government had its witnesses here from Deadwood, who gave this evidence before the United States commissioner. Yesterday the case was argued at length before Judge Youmans, who discharged Porter, because of lack of evidence. The government

CHEROKEE INDIAN NAMED REGISTER OF TREASURY

wood at government expense

WASHINGTON, Magch 5.-President Wilson today nominated Houston B. Teehee of Talequah, Okl., to be register of

to be director of the mint.

RAIL PRESIDENTS MAKE THEIR PLEAS BEFORE THE SOLONS

Three Presidents and One Vice President Appear Before Standing Committee of the Lower House.

ARGUE UPON RAIL . RATES

Ask Legislature to Give Heed to Bill Increasing State Passenger Tariff.

HOST OF PETITIONS SENT IN

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 3 .- (Special trunk line railroads and the vice and white flag with the same marks in touch at English ports for coal on the president of another appeared before red letters). the standing committee on railroads of the house at a public hearing in the hall of the house of representa- ANNEXATION BILL tives tonight.

An opportunity was given to all interested in rate matters to atend and members of both branches of the legislature as well as citizens Attempt of Representative Rich- Eastern Chief Writes Staff Comgenerally availed themselves of the opportunity to hear the heads of the big railway systems deliver their appeals.

A bill is pending before the house to increase passenger fares from 2 cents a mile to 214 cents a mile and it was to further the interests of this primarily

Visiting Magantes. The officials here were A. D. Mohler, Omaha, president of the Union Pacific railroad; W. A. Gardner, Chicago, president of the Chicago & Northwestern rallroad; Haler Holden, Chicago, president of the Burlington system, and E. J. Pearson of St. Louis, vice president of the Missouri Pacific system.

They were entertained at dinner by the Lincoln Commercial club and addressed the committee individually tonight, answering a running fire of questions put by some of the more inquisitive members. In anticipation of the hearing, this bills had been made both ways. The of them had joined. morning the deak of the clerk was loaded with a big bunch of petitions coming from all parts of the country, numerously signed by business men, farmers, whelming vote. workingmen and others.

Numerons Petitions, The petitions contained the names of 18,666 signers, among them many prom- Richmond of Douglas moved a substitute ary 27, inclosing with it the circular rethent Omaha business men, the whole that the bill be made a special order for lating to it. number under this designation being 6,924. Thursday afternoon. He thought that a of the Chamber of Commerce and There were 2,928 names of farmers signed large number of the members were on

fords a sufficient return on the capital

invested.

We know that the railroads, constituting the greatest industry in our state, spend more for labor and materials and pay more taxes than any other industry, and we believe that if the railroads are denied a fair and adequate revenue the injury resulting from such denial will in the end fall on the people of Nebrasia. When the facts are formally accertained and show a need of research revenue them. and show a need of greater revenue, then affirmative relief should be unbesitatingly granted to the railroads in increased rates.

Rockefellers to Aid Miners in Colorado If Charity Else Fails

NEW YORK, March 3 .-- Assisttables. W. F. Baxter presided as toast- ance by the Rockefeller Foundation may be given to Colorado miners and their families who are in distress as delay which had already occurred, but Richmond explained that the delay had a result of recent mining troubles in that state if civic and other authorities are unable to cope with the need, John D. Rockefeller, jr., indicated tonight in a telegram sent to President F. J. Radford of the Chamber threats and trades with members that of Commerce of Trinidad, Colo. Mr. Rockefeller's telegram was sent in response to one received from Mr. Radford apepaling to him for aid. Mr. Rockefeller in his telegram said that so far as former employes of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and their families are concerned the officers of the company have expressed the hope that the company would be able to pro vide such relief as is necessary.

Baltic Leaves New York With 18,000 Dakota house of representatives today Tons of War Goods passed the senate resolution providing for the submission to the people of a consti

NEW YORK, March 2.-The steamship Baltic, carrying 18,000 tons of war supplies, steamed from this port for Liverpool today. Its commander, Captain J B. Ranson, said that as far as he was Ship Purhase Bill oncerned, "he would fly the Brit'sh flag immediately rearrested him. Now more from America to hell," notwithstandin

witnesses will be brought from Dead. German aubmarines. It was said that the Baltic carried in is holds merchandise and foodstuffs sufficient to fill 1,500 freight cars. On its decks were isshed forty semi-armore automobile trucks, which were consigned to the British government for use, it was Fletcher, with the announcement that he out bloodshed. said, by English troops in France.

Agree to Eliminate Rural Credits Rider

WASHINGTON, March 3 .- Conferees on the year after the Mormon pligrimage ber of the lower house of the Oklahoma the agricultural bill late today, agreed to eliminate entirely the rural credits rider to the measure and substitute a and Wyoming. In 1966 he was sent to was nominated for auditor of the Interior provision for investigation of the ques tion of rural credits by a joint congress Horn basin. He was the first mayor of Wooley, who was yesterday nominated ional commission to report at the next

Kaiser Agrees to Allow Belgian Relief Ships to Use English Channel

to the Netherlands, through the German taken to guard against misuse of the minister, F. Von Mueller, that arrange- commission's special marks. ments had been made to grant safe passage through the naval war zone to ask the American ambassador at Berlin for the people of Belgium.

The German communication was in re- this service may carry the comm sponse to inquiries from Dr. Van Dyke marks, not almost impossible. The German land." communication is as follows:

The German government naturally is in the light of dispatches from The striving to give every possible support to Hague yesterday, it is possible that Ger the numanitarian work of the American many's refusal to grant safe conducrelief commission. It will permit relief for relief ships to and from English ports vessels to pass through the English may have an important bearing on the channel unmolested if they are rendered work of the American commission. It recognized by the usual marks which was explained in these dispatches that Telegram.)—Three presidents of large painted letters on the ship's sides pered if its ships were not permitted to

mond to Make It Special Order

for Thursday Fails.

PETITIONS FOR THE MINER BILL

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Richmond's Motion.

the indefinite postponement of the bill,

drag you around. I am tired of being

vote your own sentiments or the senti-

Some for Instant Action.

Mears wanted the matter settled right

light on the matter. Peterson did not be-

to concur and the substitute to make

the bill a special order. He wanted the

bill to go on the general file and take

tion with Trumble and some others Rich-

mond withdrew his motion to make the

As to the Delay

Taylor blamed the committee for the

been made because of the request of the

friends of the bill. Trumble then said

cause the lobbyists interested in the bill

were so thick around and were making

delay would only make the situation

The motion not to concur in the report

of the committee was lost by a large

volume of "noes" and the bill went to

the general file and will take its regular

Vote on Prohibition

PIERRE S. D., March 1.-The South

tutional amendment for state-wide pro-

hibition. The amendment will be voted

on at the general election in November,

Withdrawn in Senate

WASHINGTON, March 3.-The govern-

ment ship purchase bill was withdrawn

Mine in North Sea

mine in the North Sea. The crew of

Trawler Sunk by a

talking it to death.

cleven men were saved.

urse unless some one pulls it out.

South Dakota Will

that he wanted the bill disposed of be-

its turn with the rest. After a consulta-

Bates was against both the motion not large number of men.

lieve in taking snap judgment.

ments of some lobbyist."

the legislature.

bill a special order.

After Trumble had made a motion for

LINCOLN, March 3,- (Special

THE HAGUE, March !- (Vis London) - . "German submarines have received the ne German government today informed requisite order to this effect. It must be Or. Henry Van Dyke, American minister understood that every means will be

American relief ships bearing supplies to explain to the British government that only such ships as are really engaged in

concerning restrictions which Germany regrets that, having regard was said to have imposed upon granting for the existing mine dangers in the war FIGHTING IN THE DARDANELLES safe conduct to relief ships it was feared, zone, it cannot grant safe conducts for would make the relief work difficult if the commission's ships to and from Eng-

homeward voyage.

GENERAL WOOD NOT

mander He Has No Official

Connection with Move-

PLAN NOT TO DO WITH THE ARMY

extracts from General Wood's letter:

"No one at these headquarters has, or

has had, any official connection with the

American Legion, so-called, of which I

sent you the details in my letter of Febru-

Number Have Joined.

"I find on inquiry that Mr. Roosevelt

Activities Unofficial.

which he called upon General Wood t

make concerning the reported connection

of army officers with the American Le-

to Negotiate With

WASHINGTON, March 3.-Brigadier

General Scott, chief of staff of the army,

left here today for Utah to attempt a

peaceful settlement with the recalcitrant

General Scott has a long record no

only as an Indian fighter, but also as a

mediator among the Indians, whose dia-

lects he speaks and whose habits le

tnows thoroughly. War department of

ficials say he has more influence with

the Indians of the west than any other

white man. About a year ago he brough

partment of Justice and the Interior de-

partment, it was decided to ask General

Scott to see if he could not bring the

renegade band of Plutes in to give up

Reports from Bluff county, in Utah

their leader, who is charged with mur

personal way.

Piute Indiana

at Next Election General Scott Goes

in the senate late today by Senator the recalcitrant Navajos into camp with-

would not again attempt to take it | After conferences today between of

up, because it was evident that the op- ficials of the War department, the De-

WASHINGTON, March 3 .- Major

TO GENERAL FILE IN AMERICAN LEGION

Telegram.)-When Senate File 2, General Wood, commanding the

the Omaha annexation bill, came up Eastern department of the army, in

in the house this morning on a report a letter to Brigadier General Hugh

of the towns and cities committee L. Scott, chief of staff of the army,

putting the bill on general file, a me- received today, denies that in his de-

tion by Trumble not to concur partment has he had any official

brought on a lengthy debate, in connection with the American legion

which Richmond got in a substitute movement to raise reservists. He

motion for a special order for Thurs- said he had learned that Theodore

day afternoon. This was later with- Roosevelt, former Secretaries of War

drawn. Trumble charged that im- Wright, Stimson and Dickinson, and

proper influences were being used on others had been asked to join the

both sides and that threats to kill movement, and that he believed some

bill, however, was placed on general | With General Scott's permission, Secre-

file to take its course by an over- tary Garrison made public the following

EASTERN ARENA "The German government will at one British Observers of Opinion that Allies Are Making Decided

> ment of Turkish Camp on the Gulf of Saros-

The Day's War News

RUSSIAN VICTORY of Importance in the war with Turkey is made known in a dispatch from Tifflia, Transcaucasia. A Russian army advanced from Batum, on the Black Sea, into Turkish territory, ent off the Turkish army's communications route to Constantinople and isolated large districts of Turkish territory.

AUSTRO-GERMAN submarine squadron, composed of six submarines and a number of torpedo boats, has left the Austrian naval base of Pola, on the Adriatic, presumably to strike at the Anglo-French fleet at the Dardanelles. ATHENS DISPATCHES state that

nine battleships of the allies' fleet have advanced to the narrowest part of the Dardanelles, bombarding Turkish fortifications and troops and landing a force, which scattered a Turkish garrison. CTALY CONTINUES military proparations, having taken up in Parliament legislation for increasing

the stregth of the army, The minlater of war announced that all classes were asking to enter the nemy. GERMAN OPINION, as reflected in the Berlin press, is divided in regar dto the American note to Germany and Great Britain. Some newspapers share the view of the government that the note is an in-

diention of the disinterested

friedliness of this country. RENCH WAR OFFICE announces that a long stretch of German first line positions in the Champagne region is now under control of the allies, but the Berlin military chiefs repeat their assertion that the French have been repulsed and compelled to rettre to their own positions,

was asked to join at the time former Secretaries of War Wright, Stimson and LONDON, March 3 .- According to Dickinson were asked-also former Becretary Meyer of the navy and others. I what appears to be the almost upantbelieve that a number of them have mous opinion of British observers, they wanted to delay the action on the joined. Mr. Hoosevelt has never com-Germany and Austria are playing a municated with me concerning it, dilosing game along nearly all the east-"My connection is limited wholly to an ern front. The situation of the Ausinterview two or three weeks ago with trians in the Carpathians, judging two gentlemen who were founders of the from official and unofficial dismovement-one a former officer of volunpatches from Petrograd, seems unsatteers in the army, and the other an eddragged around any longer and I won't iter of one of the Ridgeway Magazines. isfactory, while the Russians, it is stand for it. Are you fellows going to Their idea was to build up throughout the said, have definitely checked them country a list of men who had qualificain eastern Galicia. Furthermore, tions or training to make them useful in London advices continue to relate a military way in case a reserve should ever be established under legislative en- successes for the Russian forces in Poland operating against the armies now. It was an Omaha affair and they actment, which would make a reserve ought to settle it and not be bothering possible, or in case a reserve should not of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg. be established, to have a list which in

The allies' fleet again bombarded the Mockett and Hostetler wanted more case of necessity would be useful to the ight on the matter. Peterson did not be-Dardanelles forts yesterday, according to dispatches from Athens, but the Britdresses, names and qualifications of a ish press bureau has not confirmed this report. The Athena message says that "I have no doubt some effort will be four ships shelled the interior forts from made to twist this into a political move, the Gulf of Saros and that the anxiety at but I don't believe there is even a tinge Constantinople is increasing. of politics connected with it-certainly no indication of such a tendency has reached

The attitude of the neutral powers over Great Britain's proposal to shut off all sea traffic with Germany forms the basis of most of the political comment pub-"It has no connection with the army up lished today in England. The London to the present time, other than as I have papers, through their Washington correindicated to you. Johnston's activity in spondents, all have been told that the connection with it have been purely un- United States will protest vigorously and official. He simply aided them with sug- protests are expected also from Holland gestions concerning their list of special and the Scandinavian countries. qualifications and talked the matter of Yet it is not believed that Great Britain

the organization over with them. He ap- will recede one whit from its announced preciates fully the fact that he cannot intention, but that, if necessary, it will take any official position in the organiza- define its blockade measures and seek to tion of this sort. He has tried to steer make them effective. It is argued in them into a line of procedure which would | London that Germany, without dominafit in with the War department plans. tion of the sea and carrying on an attempted blockade by means of suo-This has been purely in an unofficial and marines, is quite naturally willing to General Wood's letter was a personal (Continued on Page Five, Column Two.) communication to General Scott. Secretary Garrison still is awaiting the report

Comfort Need Not Be Expensive

VERY nitractive front room, light, large, comfortable, in best close-in location, south of Farnam; good cook-ing and plenty of it. Very reasonable, Call Harney 5827.

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> > Telephone Tyler 1000

where the band is entrenched, say the roads are very bad and the country is HULL (Via London) March 3.-The covered with deep snow. It may take THE OMAHA BEE trawler Supphire has been sunk by a General Scott and his party three days to reach the Indiana after they leave the

"Everybody Reads Bee Want Ads."