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WARNS SHIPPING OF SUBSEAS OFF THE WEST COAST

Commander at San Francisco MUCH POWER TO WILSON Naval District Tells Captains to Look Out for U-Boats in Pacific.

operating in the Pacific. Please notify all ships under your control and ask that they spread the warning broad-

Instructions of Navy.

Instructions from the Navy depart-ment on which the warning was based

"Get in touch at the earliest pos "Get in touch at the earnest pos-sible moment with captains and mas-ters of all merchant vessels operating in your district, especially off the coast, and at sea, and urge upon them the necessity of keeping a very bright lookout for German submarines and of reporting same immediately by radio to the nearest radio station. Urge upon them the necessity of giv-ing as much detailed information of locality where submarines are seen and any other data that will be of value to the naval forces in searching

Army Balloonists Make Two Flights From Fort Omaha

Officers of the balloon corps at Fort Omaha made two flights yesterday. The day was ideal for flights of the big gas bags, the army balloonists said. The first flight started at 945 o'clock in the morning, the balloon landing three miles south of Pacific Lunction, twenty-arms miles from the function, twenty-nine miles from the Four army officers were in the

second flight was made late rue second fight was made late yesterday afternoon, the gas bag landing a mile west of Cedar Creek, eighteen miles from the starting point. Two officers were in the basket. If the weather is favorable several flights will be made today.

Stands Up for America And Gets Good Beating British Foreign

"All lowa is for Germany." Chris
Larpan, a former Iowan, but now living in Omaha, was told Tuesday afternoon by friends from his home town, who had come here to see the wrestling match between Stecher and Caddock.

"Wall my home is in Iowa and I." Washington. April 11.—Secret

"Well, my home is in Iowa and I am for America," Larpan replied with

A free-for-all fight started and Larpan got the worst of the battle. He suffered a bad cut over his right tem ple, which Police Surgeon Shool closed with seven stitches. The doc for believed that Larpan was hit with

The Weather

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ceived by Rotarians before Saturday. Some came stringing along on Monday and Tuesday, a couple of days after the patriotic meeting was held, and several Rotarians have not as yet received theirs. "It would have been more satisfactory to have gone personally to each Rotarian and told him what the club was going to do at the patriotic meeting." said Mr. Highest yesterday.... Lowest yesterday.... Mean temperature.... Precipitation at the patriotic meeting,"

be depended on, but I guess I was Guardsman is in Danger

Reports Prom Stations at 7 P. M.

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Seven Billion Bond Bill Means Dollar of Every \$28 in Country

Big Loan Measure Most Re- rious objection among certain groups markable Before Any Law-Making Body.

MUCH POWER TO WILSON

From a staff Correspondent.

Washington, April 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The world's greatest bond issue, so far as single transav-SAID TO BE OPERATING bond issue, so far as single transactions go, was reported to the house today by the chairmar, of the ways and means committee (Representations of the ways definite time, which met the same tate bond issue, so far as single transac-Where Divers Are Has Not Been Disclosed by Government Authorities.

URGED TO SPREAD NOTICE

San Francisco, April 11.—Warning that German submarines are operating in the Pacific were sent to all steam-ship capitains at sea late today by wireless by order of Lieutenant Commander E. C. Woods of the twelfth naval district here. The warning said:

ited at Full Speed.

No details of the personnel or date

"I thought the mails could

Of Losing His Leg Now

Sergeant Walter K. Knobbs, Na-tional Guardsman, who lost his right foot April I when a locomotive ran over it while he was on guard duty,

will have to undergo another opera-tion, according to information at guard headquarters. Gangrene is said to have see in, following the first op-

reation. Amputation of several inches more of the right leg will be necessary. Knobbs belongs to Com-pany B, is 22 years of age, and his home is at 1523 South Thirty-third

street.

Rotarians Experience

FIFTH

"information has this day been received that German submarines are FOUR WOMEN KILLED SEVEN BILLION BILL BY FAST U. P. TRAIN REPORTED TO HOUSE

of representatives who are looking to the future when these loans must be paid.

Auto Crossing Track at Gibbon Sinews of War Measure Provides Five Billions in Bonds Struck by Los Angeles Limand Two Billion in Notes.

WOMAN INJURED KITCHIN TAKES CHARGE

Washington, April 11.-The army Kearney, Neb., April 11 .- (Special Telegram.)-Four were instantly financing bill providing for \$5,000,killed and a fifth person was probably 000,000 in bonds and \$2,000,000,000 in fatally injured at 6:30 oclock this eve'- treasury certificates was unanimously ning when the Los Angeles Limited reported for passage today in the train of the Union Pacific struck an house by the ways and means comautomobile just west of the Gibbon mittee,

stock yards. The machine was driven | Chairman Kitchin, introducing and by Ruth Thatcher of Gibbon and the reporting the bill to the house, anpart of five were crossing the track nounced that it would be called up to the north. They apparently failed Friday for action,

to see the fast train approaching until too late and were then unable to clear the track in time.

Mrs. C. T. Thatcher and her daughced \$3,000,000,000 from the proceeds of the bonds may be used in extending credits to foreign governments. I awson of North Bend, who was a visitor at the Thatcher home, were instantly killed. Ruth Thatcher was dangerously injured, her death being momentarily expected.

The bodies were all tossed a great distance, the impact of the train makes no stop at Gibbon and was traveling at about fifty miles an hour when it struck the machine. The automobile was tossed several hundred feet and was literally crushed to kindling.

Miss Gordon, the daughter of John Gordon, Kearney coal dealer, was employed as teacher in the Gibbon schools and her engagement to a young man of that village was announced only a short time ago.

Ruth Thatcher was principal of the Gibbon schools.

The United States issued at a higher rate of interest bonds are bonds are issued under authority of the act may be convertible into bonds bearing the higher rate.

Washington, April 11.—Secretary ansing this afternoon confirmed a Lansing this afternooh confirmed a report that Arthur J. Balfour, Brit-ish foreign minister, will arrive in this country shortly at the head of a com-mission of British international ex-Harry Lancaster Dies-Well Known Railroad Man

Harrison B. Lancaster, aged 33 years, a former Omaha boy and a graduate of the local high school, died Tuesday at Portland, Ore, after a four years illness. He was a well-known railroad man, having been the first superintendent of the Washington division of the Oregon & Washington Railroad and Navigation company, a branch line of the Union Pacific system. "Efficient" Mail Service An illustration of Omaha's "effi-cient," or rather inefficient, and "prompt" mail delivery service was brought to light when Secertary Dan Johnson of the Rotary club announced at the weekly meeting and luncheon Wednesday noon that some of the cihc system.

Mr. Lancaster is survived by a widow and one son, 8 years old; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lancaster of Red Bluff, Cal.; three sisters and one brother. One of the sisters is Mrs. Ed Stoltenberg of 2602 North Six-tieth street, Benson. Burial oc-curred in Portland. Ore., Wednesday.

Crosby is Appointed Assistant to McAdoo

Wednesday noon that some of the members were just receiving their notices of the club's part in the patriotic demonstration at the Auditorium last Saturday evening. The notices were mailed at 6 o'clock last Thursday evening.

A few—a mighty few—were received by Rotarians before Saturday. Washington, April 11.—Oscar T. Crosby of Warrenton, Va., was today appointed assistant secretary of the close treasury. Mr. Crosby recently was connected with the American Commission for Relief of Belgium and in charge of the work in Belgium and men northern France.

To Carry U.S. Flag On French Front

Paris, April 11.—It was decided today that the Lafayette flying squadron, composed of Americans, who have distinguished themselves at the front, will change from the French to the American military uniform and hereafter carry the American flag at the French front.

Ottawa, April 11.—The Stars and Stripes went into battle for the first time during the world-war during the recent entente storming of Vimy Ridge in France, according to an unofficial dispatch received here today from Canadian army headquarters in Europe.

RUN RAILROADS

Representative Sloan, as a member Heads of Principal Carriers Select Men to Direct Operations During Combat With Germany.

OBJECT TO AID COUNTRY

Fairfax Harrison, Howard Elliott, Samuel Rae, Hale Holden and Kruttschnitt.

MEETING IN WASHINGTON

Washington, April 11.--Heads of the principal railroads in the United States, meeting here today at the call of the Council for National Defense. named a board of five men to direct

named a board of five men to direct the operation of American railways throughout the war.

It was announced that the purpose of the board would be to give the government the best possible service not only in transporting troops and military supplies, but in haudling every necessary commodity.

Members of the board are: Fairfax Harrison of the Southern, chairman; Howard Elliott of the New Haven, Samuel Rac of the Pennsylvania, Hale Holden of the Burlington and Julius Krutschnitt of the Southern Pacific.

H. C. Hoover Will Become Head of New Food Board

London, April 11.-Herbert C. Hoover, head of the American commission for relief in Belgium, after consultation with his colleagues on

consultation with his colleagues on the commission, has accepted the chairmanship offered him by the national defense council of the new food board in the United States.

Mr. Hoover expected to leave shortly for America. Meanwhile he has initiated a wide inquiry in France, England and Italy regarding the existing food situation. The inquiry includes examination of the prospects of the coming harvests, import necessities, methods of food regulation and control now in operation in tion and control now in operation in the allied countries and the results

British Official in Mexico Held for Days as Prisoner

The report on the bill states that the committee "deems it advisable to authorize the \$5,000,000,000 bond issue at this time in order to enable our government to extend liberal credits and in order to provide immediately ample funds to meet such expenditures as are authorized for the national security and deiense."

Interest is not to exceed 3½ per cent and the bill leaves the denominations of the bonds to the discretion of the secretary of the treasury. If any time prior to December 31, 1918, a subsequent series of bonds are issued at a higher rate of interest.

The report on the bill states that the committee "deems it advisable to Douglas, in Sonora, April 11.—C. G. Duncan, manager of Hacienda Mababi, sixty-five miles southwest of bounds, sixty-five miles southwest of bounds, sixty-five miles southwest of bounds, sixty-five miles southwest of Bounday, afternoon at 4 o'clock until Tuesday morning at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, at 10, when the bandits rode and held by a band of Mexicans from Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock until Tuesday morning at 10, when the bandits rode away, leaving him and an American cowboy asleep in the ranch house at San Diaz, and the fill powers fighting against

A. G. Fisher in Washington

Washington, April 11.—(Special.)—Peter Jansen of Nebraska is in Washington, arriving yesterday to attend the meeting of the National Agricultural association, which is holding a two days' session in the capitol. Mr. Jansen was the guest of Congressman Sloan at Juncheon in the sense reserves. Sloan at luncheon in the senate taurent. He leaves for Philadelphia

omorrow. Captain Allen G. Fisher and wife Captam Allen G. Fisher and wife of Chadron are in the city, the cap-tain being interested in a case in the supreme court. Captain Fisher is raising a regiment of Spanish war veterans for service, but is against the idea of going to Europe.

Austrian Captain Given Order to Disable Ship

Noriolk, Va., April II,—Captain Kehrer of the Austrian steamer Bu-dapest, seized by United States au-thorities at Newport News Monday, admitted today to government offi-cials that he wrecked the engines and machinery of his vessel on instruc-tions from a source he refused to dis-close. He received his orders January 31 and carried them out immedi

Captain Kehrer, his crew and the men from the German steamer Ar-cadla are being held by immigration officers, who are examining the men.

Democrats Meet in Annual Banquet at Lincoln (From a Staff Corres

Lincoln, April †1.—(Special Telegram.)—With Representative J. A. Bulla of Omaha presiding, democratic members for the legislature met in their annual banquet at the Lincoln hotel this evening, with about 100 present, several republicans being invited quests

present, several republicans being invited guests.
Governor Neville was the first speaker and following him were Representative Peterson and Senator Mc-Allister, republicans, and Representatives Norton, Greenwalt, Jacobson, Osterman and Senators Albert, Chappell, Moriarty, Beal and others, who were called on by the toastmaster.

AMERICAN ARMY OFFICERS EXAMINING FOREIGN SHELLS-Colonel O. B. Mitcham of the Ordnance department, stationed at Governors Island, examining shells made in America for foreign governments.



COL MITCHAM EXAMINING SHELLS

Our Flag

SLIGHT SLUMP IN **U-BOAT OPERATIONS**

Seventeen British Vessels, of

ish merchant ships sunk by mines or submarines over 1,600 tons, seventeen, including two sunk during the previ-British merchant vesous fortnight. British merchant vessels under 1,600 tons, two, including one sunk last week. British merchant vessels insuccessfully attacked fourteen, including four during the previous fortnight. British fishing vessels sunk six, including one sunk during the previous week." the previous week.

decrease from that of last week in losses of large vessels and a marked falling off in the number of smaller merchant craft destroyed. There were eighteen of the former class sunk dur-

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NEBRASKA CAN HELP IN THE FOOD CRISIS

Winter Wheat Gone, But Corn, Beans and Potatoes Will Make Up.

CALL TO SERVICE ON FARM

under cultivation-this, in the minds of professors at the College of Agri-More Than 1,600 Tons Sunk
During Week Ending
April 8.

ANNOUNCED AT LONDON

London, April 11.—During the week ending April 8, seventeen British merchant vessels of more than 1,600 tons were sunk. Two vessels of less than 1,600 tons were sent down. This was officially announced tonight.
The statement follows:

"Merchant vessels over 100 tons, of Shortage of Wheat in Nebraska. culture, is America's call to service

reports. Prof. W. W. Burr, head of the agronomy department of the University of Nebraska, estimates that almost 70 per cent of Nebraska's winter wheat is dead, but that with favorable weather conditions a 50 per cent crop is possible. "In some locabites reports show that 90 per cent of the winter wheat is dead and in others that 66 per cent is dead," says Prof. Burr. "Figures tabulated by the State Board of Agriculture indicate that 66.9 per cent of the wheat in fifty-four counties is dead. In some localities wheat has suffered severely during the last week. I think, howduring the last week. I think, how-ever, that we have a chance for more than a 30 per cent crop, since very thin stands at this time of year may cighteen of the former class sunk during the week ended April 1, and thirteen of the latter. The highest figure in ships of more than 1,600 tons sunk was nincteen, during the fourth week covered by the reports in their present form, and the smallest thirteen, during the second week.

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sufficient data. Other Sections May Make Up. "Just how seriously the shortage of wheat in Nebraska and Kansas will wheat in Nebraska and Kansas will affect our total supply cannot be pre-dicted. If other wheat-producing sections have normal or above nor-mal crops, our shortage would not sectiously influence the feeding of our own people. The normal crop in re-cent years in the United States ha cent years in the United States has been perhaps seven or eight hundred millions of bushels. Of this Kansas and Nebraska produce approximately one-fought, which is less than the amount of wheat we usually have to

spare, "The indications are that the demand for wheat for export purposes will be greater in the coming year than ever before, and thus wheat should remain high. As far as we can see at this time the only shortage in 1917 crop (if there is a shortage) will be in wheat.

"Certain sections of the country (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

BATTLE OF ARRAS

Berlin Military Expert Says Decisive Conflict is Now Waging On the Western Front.

BRITISH MAKING

Battle Seems to Be Developing Into One of Greatest of the War.

TAKE HEIGHTS BY STORM

London, April 11.-The operations along the Arras-Lens line were greatly impeded by snowstorms. According to the official report from British headquarters tonight, the Germans delivered two counter attacks against the British positions in the neighbor-hood of Monchy-Le-Preux, but these failed. The statement reads:

"Snow has fallen heavily and contin-nously throughout the day, rendering observation impossible and greatly impeding operations of our troops.

observation impossible and greatly impeding operations of our troops.

"This morning two German counter stacks on our new positions in the neighborhood of Monchy-Le-Preux were successfully beaten off. Prisoners taken in Monchy-Le-Preux state that they had orders to hold the village at all costs.

"Farther south bodies of our troops succeeded in penetrating a German position in the neighborhood of Bullecourt and secured a number of prisoners. At midday they were counter-stacked by large forces of the enemy and forced back to their own lines. The enemy attacking troops were effectively engaged by our artillery and suffered heavy losses.

"Our airplanes were active again yesterday and in spite of a strong westerly gale and frequent snowstorms performed valuable work in cooperation with our infantry. Few hostile machines were seen. Our airplanes returned safely."

Organization and mobilization of Nebraska's agricultural resources—the utilization of all lands not now under cultivation and the growing of maximum crops on all lands now court and Queant.

Berlin, April 11.—(Via London)—Since early morning today, says the German official statement, fighting between the British and German forces (developed on both sides of the Arras-Cambrai road and between Bulls-court and Queant.

Amsterdam, April II.—(Via London.)—The military expert of the Berlin Vossische Zeitung considers that the battle of Arras will prove the decisive battle of the war.

It was forescen, he says, that the enemy would not try to break through on the Somme, as the basis for any such attempt had been removed by Von Hindenburg's strategic retreat. The Germans, however, had been guided by the theory that with the strength in war material pos-

captured the village and heights on Monchy Le Preux early this morning, according to British official statement. The village of La Bergere was also captured and satisfactory progress is reported being made on other parts of the battle front.

Britons Take Trenches London, April 11.—British troops yesterday advanced north of the vil-lage of Louveral, in the direction of Cambrai, to the extent of a quarter

North of the village of Louveral we pushed forward toward Cambrai to the extent of a quarter of a mile along a front of 2,000 yards and con-

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