## CABINET DISCUSSES SUBMARINE ISSUE

What to Do and When Only Questions.

DEFINITE ACTION DUE SOON

Acquiescence by Detaining Ships Not to Continue.

WILSON'S OPINION FORMED

President Has Not Decided Time Has Arrived-British Moves to Combat Menace Announced as Coming From London.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- The ruth- of Rheims. less German submarine campaign and Its effects upon the United States were French War Office Thursday night rediscussed late today by President WII- ported that German artillery had violasted only an hour, and afterward it the sector of the Maisons de Cham

and the economic effects of the partial about 17 miles southwest of Hill 185. tie-up of shipping out of American ports were the subjects on which the Cabinet centered attention. Secretary McAdoo is compiling a list of vessels held in port, and Secretary Redfield is Habit-Forming Drug Sold in Guise making a comprehensive analysis of the inroads submarines are making on shipping generally.

Acquiescence Not to Continue.

Consideration is given by the Gov-High officials took pains today, howdamental problem before the Nation is roary 23. the illegal submarine campaign itself. Against this campaign the United States has made the most vigorous protest possible short of war, but the Administration realizes that so long as it permits American ships to be held in tising it extensively. port for fear of attack by submarines it in effect is acquiescing in the Ger- JURY HAS MURDER CASE

This state of affairs, it is admitted, cannot be permitted to continue indefi-

Wilson Hus Definite Opinion.

What the United States must do to The President is understood to have a done but he has not yet decided that might be reached tonight. the time to do it has come.

Press dispatches from Berlin announcing the 72 American seamen brought in by the Yarrowdale had been released caused the demand that the men be freed to be withheld, pending official advices on the subject. cablegram was sent to the Spanish Ambassador at Berlin asking whether the report was true. It is not doubtit has been assumed from the first that Germany would not hold the men after rumors reaching there of the imprisonment of German sailors in the United States had been cleared up.

S6 Consuls Inquired After.

Another inquiry was sent the Spanish Ambassador to ascertain the cause tional Bank at University Place, a Lin-Ican train from Munich, which Mr. no one in the bank but the president. Gerard previously had reported would known number of other persons.

An earlier dispatch from the Spanish Ambassador said Germany had scorning a large promised to facilitate the Consuls' de- gold, and made his escape. parture as much as possible. No doubt is felt here that they will arrive at

Two important moves by Great Britain to meet the submarine menace were Break With United States Not to announced in the course of the day. A new danger zone was proclaimed seeking to block practically the whole route of exit toward the Atlantic of the German U-boats from their bases in marines has been through the route north of Scotland and down the Irisia Germany.

The new danger zone, designed to close that way out, is understood to effect from all the belligerent powers have been liberally strewn with mines.

Examination System Changed.

port of call and examination for boats between this country and the North- Additional Measures of Economy ern European neutrals from Kirkwall to Halifax were made public. A secand port of examination of Southern commerce may be established later at the Bahamas or Bermuda.

American exporters will still be afforded the opportunity of securing "letters of assurance" from the British Embassy here that their goods are not consigned directly or indirectly to England's enemies. The British blockade and the "rationing" of Holland and Scandinavia will continue as before and a new list of articles which cannot be imported into England will be published shortly in order to save cargo space and prevent unnecessary expendi-

The falling off in the rate of daily destruction by submarines to a few thousand tons has made a great impression here and given rise to speculation as to whether the return of submarine fleets to base or the success of British

precautions is chiefly responsible. Dispatches from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna are awaited with particular Interest because of press reports saying

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# GERMANS SMASH

HALF MILE GAINED ON MILE AND HALF FRONT.

More Than 850 Captives and Four Lines of Trenches Taken by Crown Prince's Force.

BERLIN, Feb. 16 .- (By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)-Troops of the German Crown Prince, in an attack against French positions south of Ripont, in the Champagne, yesterday, the War Office announced today, on a front of about a mile and a half, captured ground to a depth of half a mile. The

The attack, which was preceded by ntense artillery fire, was made mainly against French positions at Maisons de Champagne and hill 185, about onethird of a mile south of the farm. Four n the attack.

The French made counter attacks ast night and this morning, but were repulsed with losses. The German losses are said to have been small

The Maisons de Champagne Farn and Hill 185 are about a mile and a half south of Ripont, which is on the main road between Tahure and Cernay, Ripont is about 33 miles west of Ver dun and about the same distance cast

The official statement issued by the son and the Cabinet. The meeting lently bombarded French positions in was said no new steps had been de- pagne Farm. The communication also mentioned a successful surprise attack Arming of American merchantmen by the French west of Butte de Mesnil,

SELLER OF "CURE" GUILTY

of Remedy for Addiction.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 .- William N. Ritchie, 71 years old, a former Pres- patrols as heretofore. ernment to all the different phases of Brooklyn today to having sold a habitthe situation that have developed since forming drug under the guise of a cure the break in relations with Germany. for drug addicts. The police asserted alry regiments on the border from El he had made large profits from his Paso to Douglas, Ariz., had been inever, to emphasize that the great fun-business. He will be sentenced Feb-structed to hold to emselves in readiness

sell the "medicine" with the intention tions were believed to be precautionary of violating the law, although he had against Salazar's threat of another raid. dispensed his cure for 20 years, adver-

Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs Await Verdict into Mexico. in Klamath Falls.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 16 .went to the Jury at 4 o'clock this morn-

for the alleged murder of E. C. Way, loot, the message added. ging camp, 12 miles from here. The shooting took place October 14 last, at the Hobbs' home. The defense charged that Way had visited the home and command of a force of homeguards, General, the State Engineer and the mistreated Mrs. Hobbs.

YOUTH HOLDS UP BANKER

Head of Lincoln Institution Locked in Vault; \$2500 Taken.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 18 .- A stranger strolled leisurely into the First Naof delay in the departure of the Amer- coln suburb, today at noon. There was The young man, about 23 years old. leave "some day this week" with 86 flashed a revolver in the officer's face Consuls and their families and an un- and ordered him to retreat to the vault. After locking him in the vault, the robber picked up \$2500 in currency, unt of silver and

AID OF POLES TO CONTINUE

Interfere With Relief Work.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.-The Polish victims relief committee announces re-Germany and Belgium. With the Eng- ceipt of a cablegram from Lausanne, lish Channel practically closed by an Switzerland, which states that the work elaborate system of nets, mines and of the general committee will suffer patrols, the means of exit for the subbreak between the United States and

> The general committee sends word that it has received assurances to this occupying Poland.

Details of plans for changing the CHURCHES TO SAVE COAL

Adopted by Hamburg.

LONDON, Feb. 16 .- Churches in Hamburg will not be heated after February 17, according to a dispatch from that city to the Exchange Telegraph Company by way of Rotterdam.

Museums will be warmed only enough to prevent damage to collections, and all schools, theaters and concert halls have been closed before they are forbidden to receive coal.

MANY MACHINISTS WANTED

War Department in Market for Skilled Men and Women.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16. - The War Department is in the market for a large number of skilled laborers, toolmakers and machinists to do extra work in the various Government arsenals. Approximately 900 are needed in arsenals at Philadelphia and Dover, Del.
Women, as well as men, are wanted,
but all must be American citizens,

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**CROSS BOUND** 

Dispatched to Border.

lines of French positions were stormed VILLA LEADER IS SLAIN

Sonora Cavalry Regiment Sent to Attack Salazar With 1000 Men. Rebel Force Said to Be Half That Number.

WASHNGTON, Feb. 16 .- The War Department made public today the following report from Colonel Taggart, ommanding Fort Ringgold:

"Lieutenant Ayres, Florida troops at Lopena, reports that last night eight bandits crossed into the United States at Soledad ranch, 15 miles north of El Tigre Arroya. One man and seven horses were captured. Seven bandits on foot in brush are being chased by

HACHITA, N. M., Feb. 16 .- Lieutenant-Colonel J. C. Waterman, commanding the Hachita district, sent orders to his troops today to maintain day and night patrols along the porder instead of day

Cavalry in Readiness.

At the same time unofficial reports were received here that all of the cavto move immediately on instructions Ritchie's attorney declared he did not from General Funston. These prepara-Two troops of regular cavalry reinforced the border pairol today and two nore were to leave for the border tonight. These troops, according to Lieutenant-Colonel Waterman, are for patrol duty only and have no orders to go

JUAREZ, Mexico, Feb. 16 .- Five more Chinese were murdered at Madera, Chihuahua, when Julio Acosta, s end it and when are the only questions. (Special.)—The Hobbs murder case Villa commander, raided that town on definite opinion as to what should be ing. It was believed that a verdict ceived here today by a relative of the Chinese. The Villa followers raided Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hobbs were tried the ... uders stores and carried off much

Villa Lender Killed. At military headquarters today it was said that Maximano Morquez, in later pursued Acosta to the mountains and killed the Villa leader in battle.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 16. - Colonel esus Cardenas, commanding the Twennumbering about 1000 men, was or- working day and night of (Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.)

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IRRIGATION CODE PASSED Senate Approves Measure Making

also passed the House.

Bonds Legal Investments.

Among other provisions, this code from the coast of The Netherlands. puts bonds approved by the Attorneyfor banks.

ty-fourth Sonera Cavalry Regiment, Oregon Irrigation Congress, has been following positions: Latitude 56 de-

SPEAKING OF GOOD ROADS AND MANY OF THEM.

All Waters Off Germany Included.

ALL NEUTRALS ARE WARNED

Germans took 858 prisoners, including More Regular Cavalrymen Are Road bond issue up today; Legislature will Deutschland Said to Be Capadiour tonight, Page 1. tive, With Many U-Boats.

400 ARE REPORTED SUNK

United States Placing Steel Nets as Protection Against Submarines at Entrance of Hampton Roads Harbor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- Notice of a isngerous area in the North Sea beause of operations against Germany as been given by the British Admiralty. A copy of the notice, dated February 13, was received at the State Department today.

It warns shipping that after February 7 a prescribed area, including all waters off Germany and parts of Holland and Denmark, will be dangerous and should be avoided.

Whole Area Made Dangerous

The new notice says: "In view of the unrestricted warfare arried on by Germany at sea by means of mines and submarines, not Federal Reserve Board. only against the allied powers, but also against neutral shipping, and the fact that merchant ships are constant-ly sunk without regard to the ultimate of 100 per cent commercial paper and probably will become the law.

Boundaries Are Defined. The notice, which replaces one issued January 25, bounds the area as

"Dangerous zone: The area compris STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16, grees east, and latitude 54 degrees, 45 ance. -(Special) - One of the important minutes north, longitude 4 degrees, 40 minutes east, thence to a position in went into session after midnight folmeasures passed by the Senate today latitude 52 degrees, 27 minutes north, lowing the adjournment of the Senate. was the new irrigation code. It has longitude 5 degrees east, seven miles

Some Exceptions Made. "To meet the needs of the coastal Superintendent of Banks on a parity traffic which cannot strictly confine with municipal bonds as investments itself to territorial waters, owing to navigational difficulties, it will Jay H. Upton, Prineville's chairman safe to navigate between the coast of working day and night on this code grees north, longitude 8 degrees east; (Concluded on Page 5, Column 1.)

### LEGISLATURE IS DUE TO CLOSE TONIGHT

Oregonian.

HOUSE IS WELL UP ON BUSI NESS, BUT SENATE LAGS.

Unless Unusual Delay Is Encountered Adjournment Is Expected to Take Place at Midnight.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. (Special.) -- Both Houses of the 29th Legislature probably will conclude their business and adjourn late tomor-

The House, which has been running ahead of the Senate on its business for the last few days, got behind tonight by falling to dispose of the \$5,000,000 road bond bill. This measure will com up tomorrow morning and may take considerable time. The House has only a dozen bills on third reading tomorrow and after it disposes of these and the road bill it can give all its time to business coming over from the Senate. The Senate, on the other hand, is heavily loaded with work. The anti-

picketing bill will be a special order morrow morning and may take some time, as many members are preparing to speak on it. A big grist of appropriation bills is awaiting action by both Houses, but none of these is expected to take much time. Unless unusual delay is encountered

both houses ought to get through about midnight it may be necessary to stay in formal session for a few hours after that until all the bills are enrolled and signed.

AMENDMENT IS FAVORED Senate Committee Reports Proposed Federal Reserve Act Change.

crease their gold holdings about \$200,-000,000 by an amendment to the Federal reserve law which the Senate banking committee reported favorably with a circulation of at least 10,000 today, with others suggested by the copies each, while in the outside coun-

The amendment would modify the safety of their crews, His Majesty's 40 per cent gold so that notes might government gives notice that on and be issued against 100 per cent gold after February 7, 1917, the mentioned also.

against the enemy and it should there- SENATE SITS TILL 12 P. M. Joint Ways and Means Committee Begins Work Afterwards.

STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 16. -(Special.) -- After working all day, the ing all the waters except Netherland Senate worked for four hours tonight and Danish territorial waters lying to and then did not clean up its calendar. So into committee of the whole. He commencing four miles from the coast ment was taken until 9:30 o'clock toof Jutland in latitude 56 degrees north, morrow morning. Seventeen bills were longitude 3 degrees east, and passing killed at the night session and 13 bills one after the other, and by his logical through the following positions: Lati- were passed. None of the bills distude 56 degrees north. longitude 6 de- posed of was of especially great import-

The joint ways and means committee

WAR BILLS INTRODUCED Measures Would Permit Attacks on Germans Menacing Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 .- Three bills of the legislative committee of the Jutland and a line passing through the introduced in the House today by Representative Platt of New York would revive, with the name of Germany substituted for that of France, the statutes enacted in 1798 when American commerce was threatened by the French Navy. They would empower the government to prevent commerce directly or indirectly with Germany, to seize German ships and to permit bill prohibiting use of cigarettes by American warships to attack German

YOUTH WILL STUDY ROSES

Growth of Flower to Be Taught to

Schoolchildren.

Schoolchildren of Portland will be taught the art of growing rose bushes from rose cuttings. Arrangements have state shall support delinquent, dependbeen completed by Park Superintendent this line in all the schools. The city

will furnish the cuttings from the parks; The move is intended to encourage the growing of rose bushes among schoolchildren.

S. O. S. SENDER ARRESTED Grocer's Boy With Plant on Roof of port from the judiciary committee, five Home Is Accused.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16 .- On a charge of sending out a false "S. O. S." mes-sage. "We are sinking," William F. Representative Forbes in his amend-Eckhoff, a 16-year-old Brooklyn grocer ments to the delinquent tax bill. boy with a wireless apparatus on the which provide for preliminary notices roof of his home, was arrested today by mail and subsequent advertising of and held in \$500 bail by a United States those delinquents who don't respond to Commissioner. Luis Krumn, chief ra- the mail notices. dio officer of the battleship Arizona, made the complaint.

Eckhoff was located as the offender by wireless detective work. He con-

PUPILS TO SALUTE FLAG male applicants to House. Weekly Observance by 375,000 Chil-

dren Ordered in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15 .- By order of the School Board today the salute of the flag will be a weekly observance by feat. I the resolution proposing changes the 375,609 pupils in the Chicago public to the initiative law that would have next Monday when the children will re- in a majority of the counties.

"I pledge allegiance to the American

# BILL PASSES HOUSE

Lewis Substitute Is Defeated Quickly.

JOURNAL DELAYS LEGISLATION

Measure Provides for Postcard Warnings First.

MARRIAGE TEST IS KEPT

Widows' Pension Act Amended to Require Longer Residence and Prevent Some Irregularities. Money Measures Pass.

STATE CAPITOL Salem, Or., Feb. 16 .- (Special.) - Representative Forbes, of Deschutes County, won a decisive victory in the House today when he obtained adoption of his amendments to the delinquent tax list bill.

The Forbes plan provides for a for mal notice by mail 90 days after the taxes become delinquent and newspa WASHINGTON, Feb. 16. - Federal per publication of those who remain eserve banks would be able to in- delinquent 30 days after the notices are sent out.

In Multnomah County notices are to be published in only two newspapers ties publication is to be made in paselected by the Commissioners. existing requirement of law for col- The bill went back to the Senate toprobably will become the law.

House Strong for Forbes Plan The House was overwhelmingly in favor of the Forbes amendments when he question came to a vote today Through an eviden, misunderstanding, the Forbes amendments were sidetracked yesterday morning and a set of amendments proposed by Representative Lewis was substituted. amended by Lewis, the bill came up

for final passage today. Undaunted by the temporary of yesterday Forbes proposed the House

Forbes then offered his amendments, his views.

Few Vote Against Bill.

Representative Peck made some obection, but it was futile. As the House was in committee of the whole, no record was made of the vote to substitute the Forbes amendments for the Lewis amendments, but the division was decisively with Forbes. After the committee reported back to the House all objection ceased and the rollcall disclosed only a handful of members voting against the bill.

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Thus ended a controversy over a

BY unanimous vote the Senate yesminers. This bill, which has passed armed vessels which menace American the House, does not prohibit use of cigarettes by grown men.

> Other important bills passed by the Senate include the irrigation code and a bill reorganizing the State Tax Commission and climinating one Commissioner. The drastic sterilization bill, passed

> by the House, and a hill putting up to

the people the problem of whether the Convill whereby School Gardener Reed will give a course of instruction along by private institutions also passed the Appropriation bills totaling \$701,640 were passed at a night session of the

Senate tonight. The anti-picketing bill will be fought out in the Senate at 10:30 o'clock this morning. It was reported back to the Senate yesterday with a divided remembers of which recommended that it do not pass and two recommending that

it do pass. The House overwhelmingly sustained

Appropriations aggregating \$241,-553,58 were passed by the House.

Senator Cusick's bill repealing the law requiring a health certificate from male applicants for marriage licenses

The amendments to widows' pension law, carried in Senator Huston's bill, were passe' by the House.

After a brief skirmish, the House de-The first observance will be required eight per cent of signatures

Representative Ritner's bill submitfing and the Republic for which it ting to the people the question of apstands; one Nation indivisible, with propriating \$400,000 for a new peniliberty and justice for all."

