PORTLAND, OREGON, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1915.

within Bukowina. The Russian forces have withdrawn both in East Prussia

and in Bukowina in the face of supe-

that they might be able to concentrate

and come into closer touch with their

The official reports make only the

briefest reference to the operations at

these two extremes o. the eastern front, but what they do say indicates

that the Russians already have reached the lines on which Grand Duke

The rest of the campaign in the

east, even the fighting in the Carpa-

thians, which is proceeding under the worst weather conditions, is over-

shadowed by these greater events, on

the result of which both sides are

The Germans say they have won a

blg victory over the Russlans in East

Prussia and the Austrians announce the Russian retirement in Bukowina

with elation, but apparently Petrograd

views these incidents without mis-

In the west there has been a continu

tion of heavy artillery bombardments

in which Rheims again has suffered and several infantry attacks on differ

ent parts of the line, in which both sides assert they have been successful

From unofficial sources comes the news

that St. Mihiel, on the Meuse, which

the Germans have held so long, has

guns, which shows that the French

In Egypt, the Caucasus and Mesop

do not consider worthy of mention in

At sea the weather has been such

that naval operations are out of the uestion. The English coast has been washed by tremendous seas for two

days past, with the result that several

ships have been wrecked and consider-

able damage has been done at several

A good deal of interest is being taken

n the coming week's proceedings of

the British Parliament, for David Lloyd

Seorge, Chancellor of the Exchequer,

will make a statement today on the

on Spencer Churchill, First Lord of the

Later in the week the debate will be

GEMS IN "NIGHTIE" SAVED

to Laundry by Mrs. L. Shapirer.,

laundry yesterday, and almost suc-

cumbed to hysterics before they were

With Detectives Grisim and Howell,

The gems consisted of Mrs. Shapirer's

engagement ring, valued at \$450; an-

The diamonds were recov-

Mr. Shapirer hastened to the laundry,

arriving there before the package of

Admiralty, will review the naval situa-

Britain, France and Russia, and Wins-

amia there has been either no fighting

engagements which the belligerents

effort to dislodge the Germans.

question.

have either made an advance in this re-

ion or brought up heavier guns in an

ome under the fire of the French

Nicholas has decided to give battle.

ines of communication.

rior German and Austrian armies, so

KAISER SUMMONS GERARD TO CONFER BIG FORCE CROSSES FRONTIER,

Ambassador to Go to · Eastern Front.

MASTER STROKE IS RUMORED

Choice of Friendship of Two Nations Offered.

SITUATION IS

Washington Now Begins to Realize That in Its Notes of Protest It Has Done Exactly What It Was Expected to Do.

peror, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, has Resolution Also Asks Government to invited the American Ambassador to Germany, James W. Gerard, to a conference at eastern headquarters.

*BY JOHN CALLAN O'LOUGHLIN. WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(Special.) -A situation of the utmost delicacy beliester, Liverpool, Portsmouth, Car-for the United States has arisen in re-diff, Birmingham and Bradford yester-correspondent for the latter paper. lation to the European war. Its char- day to consider the high prices of food acter is indicated by the request of and fuel.
Emperor William that Ambassador The me

Request Equivalent to Command. This request is equivalent to a com-mand. Mr. Gerard and the Chancellor

will go without delay. Mr. Gerard has been equipped with the proper instructions, approved by the President, These instructions are in line with the principles laid down in the note to the Gerin government protesting against the enforcement of the Berlin "war zone"

What results will follow from the audience which the Emperor, surrounde by his troops, will grant to the Ameri- DRY CITIES' TAXES LOW an Ambassador, no one in Washingto knows. It will be a dramatic setting Illinois for the conference. Within the armed camp of a maryelously efficient milltary power will be the diplomatic rep resentative of the United States, who realizes that the regular army of his country comprises only \$0,000 men. This force constitutes only two army corps.

Power Shown by Contrast.

of what th him to feel at a disadvantage

great stakes. It is nothing more n less than victory in the war. If the United States can be brought to the point of insisting that its cargoes of foodstuffs shall pass freely to Germany, the Emperor believes his cause will be as good as won. Either Great Britain must abandon its seizures of such foodstuffs, in which event the policy of "starving out" Germany will no longer be effective, or continue to so so in spite of objection of the Amercan Government and thus force drasaction on the part of the United

Situation Pleases Germans.

they have done precisely what Berlin some speculation as to the coincidence of events, which seemed separate at the time, but which now have a relation that is significant. These events are the issuance of the Posts of the P the issuance of the Berlin "war zondecree and the seizure of the foudstuffs cargo of the Wilhelmina,

Ostensibly out of consideration to neutral nations, it was announced that the decree would not enter into effect February 18. In the meantim the Wilhelmina crossed the Atlantic Her commander said he was forced to enter a British port because of the The British did what was They seized the cargo and prepared to place it before a prize court, although unofficial suggestions

potified the United States that if Great Britain will permit neutral foodstuffs intended for the civilian population of Germany, to reach their destination. the retaliatory measures, of which the war zone" decree is the most important, will not be enforced as against neutral commerce.

Solemn assurances have been given that foodstuffs imported will not be used for the army or navy of Germany and will not be sent to a fortified part. Moreover, the Reichstag has passed a law modifying the recent decree placing the government in control of all foodstuffs within the Empire. Under the new law imported foodstuffs will remain in the hands of the civilian population. This measure was adopted in order to meet the contention of the Eritish government that it was just
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ALBANY, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)—
C. E. Sox was re-elected president of the Young Men's Christian Association of Albany Friday night. The board of directors, recently chosen, also re-elected the other retiring officers, as follows: J. A. Howard, vice-president; Joseph H. Ralston, secretary, and Hiram W. Torbet, treasurer.

H. C. McDonaid, physical director, was elected general secretary of the association, succeeding Delos L. Foster, who has served as secretary for the peat two years. Mr. Foster resigned to accept a similar position with the association at Kellogg, Idaho. Solemn assurances have been given

ALBANIANS BEGIN SERBIAN INVASION

Government at Nish Admits Invaders' Superior Numbers Have Compelled Retirement.

LONDON, Feb. 14 .- A large force of Albanians has crossed the Serbian frontier into the Department of Prisrend, forcing the Serbian troops and local authorities to withdraw, according to a dispatch from Nish, Serbia, to Reuter's Telegram Company, banians, the message adds, are continsing to advance.

PARIS, Feb. 14 .- A telegram from Nish to the Havas News Agency says the following statement was given out by the Servian government today:

"Large numbers of Albanians yester day broke through our lines, crossing DELICATE the frontier in the Department of Pris-rend. Before superior forces of the enemy our troops, as well as the mualeipal authorities, were forced to retreat. "The Albanians continue to advance

in the direction of Zapod, Topoliana and Glavotchnitz. "The enemy succeeded in certain places in cutting the telephone and telegraph communications.

LONDON, Feb. 14.-The German Em- BRITISH DEMAND MORE PAY

LONDON, Feb. 14 .- Conferences un der trade union and Socialist auspices in the Carpathians, contributed to Az were held simultaneously in London, Est by Francis Mohiar, a Hungarian

The meeting in London adopted a Gerard in company with Herr von resolution calling on the government to commandeer and distribute wheat to commandeer and distribute wheat and coal and declaring that if the government fulls to fix prices at the same quarters in the eastern theater of war.

The interior war was declared to commandeer and distribute wheat and coal and declaring that if the government fulls to fix prices at the same level as existed when war was declared level a then the labor truce will be declared

An immediate increase to 2 pence an

James Ramsey McDonald, member of Parliament for Leicester and chairman vious year.

Comparisons Show Towns Have Higher Rates.

tistics gathered in the principal cities away like snow under the Russian ar-of Illinois outside of Chicago show that tillery fire. the tax rate in the "dry" cities is lower than that in the "wet" ones. Jacksonville, a dry town, has a rate of 4.64, Under Emperor William's command and the rate in Rockford, the largest it took three regiments to dislodge this to the theater of war to which Mr. dry city in the state, is 4.51. Decatur, small force from the snowbound in-the theater of the summoned, there are which has just become dry, has a rate trenchment up in the fortress. Germans-26 army of 6.82 and Bloomington, also one of There are also a larger number the new dry cities, has a rate of 5.38 so many prisoners in the Carpathians is of Austro-Hungarians.

Of the wet cities, Springfield has a Backed by the bayonets around him, Emperor William will feel his power. Lincoln 6.12, Danville, 7.13, and Ottawn points had no chance of getting away points had no chance of getting away points had no chance of getting away.

With the recollection of what the Lasalie, 6.15, adding the Lasalie, 6 The German Emperor is playing for known that, as usual, it will be high.

PIONEER PHYSICIAN PASSES Dr. John A. Chastain, of Klamath Falls, Survived by Large Family.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 14.— Special.)—Dr. John A. Chastain, plo-neer physician of Klamath County, sussed away at his home near Bonanza passed away at his home near Sonanza last night. Dr. Chastain was more than 89 years old, and for the past three months has been hovering near death. Fr. Chastain was born in Tennesses. During the Civil War he served in the Confederate Army as Captain. In 1875 he migrated with his family to Ore-As the Germans view the situation, their government has made a diplomatic stroke of the highest value. It has dawned upon the efficials here that member of the Masons and Oddfel-

LIFE PRESERVERS USED

New Apparatus Found on German Sailors Rescued From Bluecher.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The German sailors who were rescued from the sinking cruiser Fluecher all wore newstyle life-preservers with which the German navy has been equipped since the beginning of the war.

The apparatus consists of a cork belt

The apparatus consists of a cork belt and an inflatable vest fastened about court, although unofficial suggestions and an inflatable vest is of rubber and had been made that perhaps it could be sold to the Belgian Relief Commission.

Solema Assurance Given.

New the German government has comes opposite the mouth German sailors said that any man who lost this ors said that any man who lost this ors said that any man who los article was liable to a fine of \$3.

ALBANY Y. M. C. A. ELECTS

H. C. McDonald Made General Secretary Succeeding D. L. Foster.

ALBANY, Or., Feb. 14 .- (Special.)

GUERILLA WARFARE ON IN CARPATHIANS

Hundreds of Thousands

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War in Doop Snow.

Six important of House today. 2 and order programme of House today. 2 and order programme of Loss most busy one for Senate. Page 9.

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ROMANTIC FORTS AGAIN USED

Ice Caves Occupied and Difficulties Are Stupendous.

WOLVES FIGHT BIG SQUADS

Austro-Hungarians Take Up Positions From Which Escape Is Impossible, Accounting for Enormous Number of Prisoners.

(Special cable dispatch to New York Vorid. Copyright, 1915, by the Press Pub-shing Company. Published by arrangement ith the World.)

LONDON, Feb. 9 .- The Morning Pos as received from its Hungarian correspendent a vivid account of fighting

Mohlar describes the taking of ar ancient fortress, now a ruin, but with walls nine feet thick, built on a slope

There are dozens such picturesque and romantic ruins in the Carpathians, erected by nobles as a defense against Poles and German or Slavonic vagacondizing tribes who broke in when ever they were moved by a desire to

"This small force held the place two Ottawa, weeks against the Russians, who were put to terrible trouble thereby, for they couldn't pass on the road below. The Austrians dug themselves in around the ancient walls. They were subjected to terriffe bombardment for a fort CHICAGO, Feb. 14,-(Special.)-Sta-

Regiments Are Needed.

"The trenches around them stood the but not the wall. Nevertheless,

"The reason why the Austrians lost cannot now be estimated, but it is on top, plunging knee deep in snow

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LEGI SLATION

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OTTAWA HAS AIR SCARE

3 Aeroplanes Seen Over Canadian Town, Flying Toward Capital.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 14 .- Premier of the labor party, in a speech at the Leicester meeting, said there was nothing to justify the increase in prices, as 100,600 tons more grain had been imported during the last six months than in the corresponding period of the pre
tery.

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Ottawa.

Brockville is about 50 miles due south of Ottawa, where the message caused considerable excitement. The military authorities were informed and directed to take what precautions they could.

KAISER TO CONTROL DATS

BERLIN, via London. Feb. 14.—The understand for the communications and treat directly and means for their distribution.

BERLIN transfer interests established in Mexico. day have urged the government to take pretend to make representations, and supplies of food dress communications and treat directly and means for their distribution, caped easily. Bundesrath decided today to exprepriate all the domestic stocks of oats, with the exception of seed oats and the grain stitutionalist army. necessary for fodder for horses. order becomes effective February 16. The Bundesrath also raised the maximum price of oats by 50 marks (\$12.50)

white snow with the enemy behind you on top, plunging knee deep in snow and every dark figure an excellent target is certain death.

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A delegation of clubwomen and social workers will go to Salem this morning in the interests of child welfare legisting in the interest of child welfare legisting in the interest of child welfare legisting in the interest of

OLD MAN OREGON-RECKON YOU'LL HAVE TO STEAM UP AND GO SOME THIS WEEK.

Sunday's War Moves T WO big battles, it is believed, have already begun, or will soon begin, on the Russian side of the East Prus-DEFIANT DEMAND sian frontier and on the River Sereti

Diplomats Ordered to Deal With CL.

MANY EXPECTED TO LEAVE

International Aspect of Mexican Situation Acute.

RELATIONS ARE STRAINED

British and Spanish Consuls, Especially, Treated With Scant Courtesy--Developments Give Wash-

ington Much Concern.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 .- General Venustiano Carranza, as first chief of the constitutionalist army, notified the world today that all communications to his government from outside sources

must pass through him, Carranga's decree reached Washing ton through Rafael Zubaran Capmany, his minister of the interior, who telegraphed it to Elisea Arredondo, Car-ranza's local representative. The order apparently will make it impossible for diplomatic representatives of foreign governments to deal with the Carranza the official dispatches. government except by going to Vera Cruz, which they have been unwilling to do lest such action be construed as formal recognition.

Diplomats Preparing to Leave.

Already most of the diplomats at Mexico City have asked their governments for permisison to leave when the situation becomes intolerable and some of them have been advised to use their own discretion.

The order may also affect the activity of American consular representatives, who heretofore have dealt with the de facto government, whatever it happened to be.

The telegram to Arredondo said: "The first chief of the constitutional-ist army has been apprised of frequent tion. cases wherein persons of diverse na-tionalities styling themselves confidential or consular agents of foreign gov-ernments without really being so, and other persons, styling themselves representatives of foreign colonies or large

Cause Declared in Danger. "This action, even in cases where is taken by persons actually accredited, tends to disrupt the unity which should prevail in the constitutionalist govern-ment and to belittle the authority of Women to Argue With Legislators, the first chief of the aforesald army, gown to insure their safety, Mrs. Leo sept the description of clubwomen and social provoking disorder and lack of cohe-shapirer, 689 Irving street, sent the A delegation of clubwomen and social provoking disorder and lack of cohe sion in governmental decisions, with Jewels and the gown to a Calnese

other diamond ring valued at \$250; and ment. a diamond necklace worth \$300. Mr. Shapirer is transit manager at the First National Bank.

ered.

FRENCH CHARGE ON SKI Bayonet Attack Made Full Speed by

Defiant Chassenrs.

GENEVA, via Paris, Feb. 14.-What said to be the first bayonet charge Baker Stock Company, Hiram B. Parkski during the present war was made yesterday in the Vosges Moun- and A. B. Dunaworth, night clerk, were tains, near Col-du-Bonhomme.

ficers were cut off by the Germans and choked stairway and the two mendaws were ordered to surrender. They re- the fire escape. used and charged down the snowcovered slope on their ski into the from the basement windows struggle took place before the French establishment. Ladders were raised to

POTATO FRUIT, COURT SAYS pants. Hoses were trained into the

Washington Jurists Make Decision for the men to enter. Upholding Inspection Law.

Huntley, that the latter had jurisdic- in with hand axes and streams of tion over potatoes, a shipment of which from California he condemned because R. J. Williams, manager, containing

Supreme Court ruled that they are.

DIVINE SARAH IN HOSPITAL the fire escape to the roof, 29 lads of

of Mmc. Bernhardt's Knee.

BORDEAUX, via Paris, Feb. 14 .-Sarah Bernhardt, after consulting a professor of the faculty of medicine here, underwent an operation for an affection of the knee today at the Horpftal St. Augustine of Arcachon.

FIRE SWEEPS ALDER HOTEL;LOSS\$80,000

Collapse of Roof Endangers Firemen.

FLYING GLASS INJURES TWO

Three Lodgers in Building Escape; 80 Left Homeless.

10,000 SEE 3-HOUR FIGHT

From Start in Basement Flames Run Up Through Four-Story Building. Stocks of Phegley & Cavender and F. W. Woolworth Suffer,

ESTIMATED LOSSES AND INSUR-ANCE IN SUNDAY FIRE.

Phegley & Cavender, fully \$25,000 Alder Investment Company, Model Repair Shop, unknown

....... The four-story Alder Hotel building at the northwest corner of Fourth and Alder streets, in which was located the Phegley & Cavender clothing establishment and the F. W. Woolworth 5-19-15cent store annex, was swept by a spectacular fire yesterday, with a \$75,000 to \$80,000. About \$0 lodgers in the hotel were made homeless by the blaze, which worked upward through the four stories from the basemen

Nearly 10,000 persons witnessed the are, which, beginning shortly before \$ o'clock, continued for three hours. Two firemen sustained miner tejuries, Lieutenant E. J. Treese, of Engine Company No. 1. and Bernard R. Siebela, hoseman ontinued on the increased cost of the ecessaries of life, in connection with which several meetings held through-out the country on Saturday and Sun-which they were fighting collapsed.

The origin remains in doubt but the fire is believed to have started from defective wiring in the basement of the Phegley & Cavender store. Jewels, Concealed for Safety, Sent basement is given over entirely to a storage room for stock, said Grant After pinning \$1000 worth of dia-Phegley, and he could conceive of no reason for the fire starting there except through a defect in the lighting

S. P. Foster, manager of Hotel Alder, was the first to turn in an alarm. There were two alarms turned in and nine engine companies, four truck companies and the two fireboats responded Mr. Foster learned of the fire when Eugene Hamblet, proprietor of a poolball in the basement of the building. came to his office to complain of smoke seeping into the pool parlor from the Phegley & Cavender

Lodgers Make Escape.

At the same time Engineer Burton, of the hotel heating system, reported the basement filling with smoke. Mr. Foster immediately telephoned the fire department and then made a tour of Though smoke was then the hotel. pouring into the upper floors of the hotel he entered every room, making sure that all the tenants had left the building. Miss Ollie F. Cooke, an actress formerly employed by the er, a prominent resident of Astoria, ains, near Col-du-Bonhomme.

Forty Alpine chasseurs with two of-

By this time the smoke was gushing trenches, where a terrible the clothing store and the Woolworth the second floor upon the arrival of the department and firemen searched the building for any remaining occubasements but the smoke was too heavy

Effort Made to Save Papers.

Supreme Court decided Saturday, in the case of the Los Angeles Berry-Growers' The doors were broken in and the slave. The Woolworth store received the Association versus State Horticulturist in front of the messanine floor amashed

valuable papers, might be saved. The point at issue was whether po-tatoes are a horticultural product. The control and the interior of the Woolworth store was blasing like a furnace, when more streams of water were turned on. Hose was carried up the naval militia of the United States Operation Is Performed on Affection steamship Boston swarming up the fire escapes with the lines. On the roof they took orders from the city fireme and were valuable nides, taking many risks and winning praise from Bat

talion Chief Young for their work, Smoke Engulfs Workers.

The fighting then concentrated in the Mme. Bernhardt has been suffering clouds of dense smoke enguling them severely for many months and it is at regular intervals and flames shootbelieved that the operation will effect ing up from the air and elevator shafts Concluded on Page &)