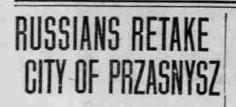
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Town Practically Destroyed in Changing Hands Four Times Within Week.

10,000 GERMANS CAPTURED

Nearly 200,000 of Kaiser's Soldiers Made Prisoners in North Poland Since War Began, Says Foe. Czar Plans New Move.

LONDON, Feb. 28 .- Not since the war began has more victous fighting been recorded than that in the region of Prassnyss, worth Poland, according to Pramanyss, worth Poland, according to Petrograd reports, the Polish city hav-ing changed hands four times in less than a week. Tonight the Russians were the possessors of the town, ac-cording to reports from both German and Russian war headquarters. The Germans first took the city last week, reporting that 10,000 Russian soldlers had been captured with it. The Russians retook the place Friday with 2500 prisoners and announced that the quantity of war material captured was

quantity of war material captured was at that time too great to be estimated. The Germans with heavy reinforce-

ments returned to the attack Satur-day and after an all-day battle in the streets, hand-to-hand, they captured Przasnysz, only to lose the place for the second time with more than 5400 presoners.

Przasnysz Is Destroyed Przasnysz practically has been de stroyed.

"Since the beginning of the war General Brussiloff's army has captured 1900 German officers and 185,000 'soldiers," says the Petrograd communication, which adds:

which adds: "The seemingly diminishing power of the German operations from the Vistula to Niemen, which is particularly evi-denced in the fighting around Przasnysz, where the Germans have been thrown back on the defensive, has led the Russian general staff to plan a new offensive movement. According to the general staff operations are now in a transitory stage preceding the begintransitory stage preceding the begin ning by the Russians of a general ag-gressive campaign over the whole of the northern front."

The official statement from the Rus-sian general staff received tonight says: "On the left bank of the Niemen, to the north of Grodno, the action in-creases in intensity. The battle ex-tends now far in front of the fortified

works. Villages Change Hands.

"On either side the attacks are sup-ported by the fire of the artillery. Vil-

AGIA MARQUEETENICK Two Views of Dacia Taken Just Prior to Her Sailing. American Flag as It Appeared Flying From Her Stern. will ever see them arrested. It will all be done very quietly, but very ef-fectually, and certain documents of vast import to the history of nations will go on their way unstolen and un-FUTURE IS PAINTED We have been going through the m tions of a regular voyage on a regular floating hotel; but we have had little heart for the game. The suction pool Lusitania, Eastward - Bound, Lloyd-George Makes Referwas a failure; the smoking-room gave it up on the fourth night. But the ship's concert became a live issue. The men who went down on the Cressy, the Aboukir and the Hogue were naval Is Ship of Mysteries. ence to United States. reservists, and as such came under the benefits of the seamen's fund. The mariners of England must take care of NATION DECLARED UNREADY TYROS NO LONGER SEEN matners of England must take care of their widows and orphans. Joe Coyne and Frank Belcher started to make this the greatest concert ever held on the high seas. Fate counted them out, however. The cold sea air gave Coyne neuralgia, and Belcher, on the night of the biggest gale, was pitched from his berth and sprained his ankle. Will Irwin, on Way to Disturbed America, Says Chancellor, Would Be Continent, Describes "State of Overbusy Defending Own Continent-Workmen in Armament War" That Begins on Pier and

AMERICAN VESSEL SEIZED IN CHANNEL BY FRENCH CRUISER.

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Benefit Nets Almost \$500.

ROUMANIA FINDS PROBLEM COMPLEX FREE PHONES War Attitude Governed by Desire to Aid Those of Race Outside of Country. Wonderful Bill This is one of the RELATIVE STATUS IN MIND most interesting bills ever produced in any moving picture house. Conservative Statesman Believes Un-Shorten Your Luncheon Hour, derstanding With Italy to De-See the Show at mand Peace at Opportune The National. Time Would Be Best. BUCHAREST, Feb. 10.-(Correspondnce of the Associated Press.)-In sum-ning up the attitude of Roumania as to intering the list of warring nations, Alexander Marghiloman, one of the most prominent statesmen in Roumania, expressed himself with this homely remark to a correspondent of the Asso-ciated Press: "In the Spring, when the sap rises "In the Spring, when the sap rises and the buds swell and mankind gen-erally feets a little better than is good for it, Roumania may again get the war fever, but until then we are likely to use a little common sense in this coun-try." Mr. Marghiloman is leader of the Conservative party and former Minis-ter of Finance. His views are those of a man charged in some quarters with being a Germanophile. In fact, at the outbreak of the present conflagration outbreak of the present conflagration In Europe his villa was stoned one sure that in the settlement of affairs night by the same Bucharest mob which a short time before had attacked present her claims and have them the German Legation. honored. Denying that he was a Germanophile, but that his position was only that of a man with Roumania's interests at heart, Mr. Marghiloman discussed the political situation in which Roumania now found itself. "The temper of the people has been rather belicose," he said, "but it is now realized that there is no good in going to war without a fair prospect Ties Bind, but Conflict. going to war without a fair prospec of gaining either glory or profit. There is no glory in going to war with Ger There **Bussar Lieutenant Refuses to Surrender** Though Overwheimed by Nummany, because Roumania has for 30 years had an understanding with that country; there is no glory in going to war with France, because Roumania is bers and Is Shot Down. indebted to the Republic for many things, not the least of which was Napoleon III's choice of Roumania's first King, who just died." BERLIN, Feb. 10 .- (Corresponden of the Associated Press.)-When the German troops again took possession

Tirst King, who just died." He pointed out that the ties with German troops again took possension of the little town of Drobin in Russian Poland, they found there the grave of one of their Lieutenants who had been missing since the end of November and they obtained from the local priest, the physician and a German Hussar who had been a prisoner there, the details of his heroic death. War Causes Are Nearer Home.



readjustments in Europe on a large scale." said the Conservative leader. "the least Roumania must do in that case is to take such steps as will re-"the least Roumania for the steps as will re-trong the step as will re-trong

Already sent to the rear of our line amounted on the evening of the 27th to 58 officers and 5400 soldiers. "On the left bank of the Vistula, on the Dounaletz, the situation is un-

changed.

"In Galicia our troops, advancing "In Galicies our training to the Jas-from the Tchet-Chva Valley to the Jas-sinovitz-Rozniatow front, inflicted on the Austrians a severe defeat. This offensive movement was carried out in the midst of a thick forest. Our regi-ments, which were not supported by artillery, were obliged to hack their way with the bayonet. In this battle we captured 4000 prisoners and nime machine guns." Loss Admitted by Germans.

German army headquarters today issued the following official communication

"Northwest of Grodno new Russian forces advanced yesterday, but Ger-man counter-attacks threw back the Russians onto the advanced position of or Germany. The Continental nations imprison sples only long enough to get the firing squad ready. the fortress. We took 1800 prisoners

Northwest of Ostrolenko an enemy

attack was repulsed. "The German troops retreated before superior enemy forces advancing on Przasnysz from the south and east into ····· the region north and west of this

"South of the Vistula there have been no developments of importance." The official Austrian report follows: "Twelve hundred and fifty Russians were made prisoners in the taking by assault of one of the heights in the battle of Southeastern Galking battle of Southeastern Galicia, The west front is quiet."

CARRANZA STANDS FIRM

(Continued From First Page.) instead of 5,000,000. Three days was given as the limit.

General Stabbed in Crowd.

The most serious demonstration. growing out of the arrest of the priests n Mexico City, occurred last Sunday. Little crowds of Catholics gathered in various parts of the city and in the downtown district a gathering, made up largely of women, began parading. This crowd was met by a counter element crying "Down with the church" and "Death for the priests."

Colonel Bertrand, according to counts, elbowed his day into the struggling mass of people and was stabbed but meantime, it is said, he shot and killed two men in the Catholic contingent. Soldiers who had been called out fired, wounding several. Four dead bodies were found later. Unconfirmed reports reaching here today are that more rioting is now in progress.

Less likelihood that Carranza will order the evacuation of Mexico City now exists and the continued shipping to the city of foodstuffs tends to sup port the assumption that Obregon will hold his army there. He is yet engaged in an almost daily struggle with soldiers of Zapata.

Tale of Cobweb Clothes.

Dartmouth (N. H.) Lantern. Mr. Platt I. Tude-Marriage is a lot-tery! Sir A. Propos-Not with these cobweb clothes the women are wearing

"Our troops are gallantly endeavor-ing to develop their success; they pay no attention to the enemy's fierce re-sistance and forget their own fatigue. "The number of prisoners taken and to the rear of our line". "H'm," said Captain Dow, "I'm think-ing sould get some long passages of

Arrests Will Be Made Quietly. In this case-judging by what I have een before-none of our passengers

WILL IRWIN AGAIN TO VISIT AND WRITE OF SCENES IN EUROPEAN WAR ZONE.

Later: Now this, at the threshold of war, illustrates the mystery which surrounds all things European in these days; perhaps it illustrates also what a world of rumor this has become. This morning, just off the Irish heada world of rumor this has become This morning, just off the Irish head-quarters, we slacked up and hove to. The wireless cracked busily for a few For we have a few mysterious pas-sengers, who seek no smoking-room acquaintances and try to make themin our appearance, which I shall not mention for fear of the censors, then selves as inconspicuous as possible. I must be tantalizing; I cannot repeat some things I have heard, but there

mention for fear of the censors, then we proceeded again. At 10 o'clock the regular wireless news appeared on the bulletin board. It consisted merely of the official com-muniques. A little later, however, the rumor grew that 10 British merchant-men were torpedoed yesterday by sub-marines in the English Channel. The income they talk at all mainstewards, when they talk at all, main-tain stoutly that it is true. The offi-cers just as stoutly deny it. We shall not know until the pllot brings the passengers will disappear, not to be seen again until the war is over. It is lucky for them, indeed, that they are landing in England instead of France

WAR SOUVENIR IN

newspapers.

ENGLISHMEN IN LITIGATION OVER

GERMAN SHELL.

The Chancellor then took up the liquor and industrial questions. "The government has wide powers to deal with the drink question and it means to use them," he declared. He said a small minority of the workmen employed in the armament factories had refused to work a full week be-cause of the lure of drink. "We need en, but we need arms more than men, and every day of delay is full of perfl to the country." he as-serted. "For one reason or other we do not get the assistance we have a right to expect from our workshops.

His discussion of the situation showed its complexity. To incorporate right to expect from our workshops. Industrial differences are inevitable, but we cannot afford them now. "It is intolerable that the lives of Britons should be imperiled for the

sake of a farthing an hour.'

the Roumanians in Transylvania would also include the addition of some 2,000,-000 Hungarians and Germans. From the viewpoint of race preservation, there was more urgent need to reincorporate the Roumanians in Bessarabia, who were so speedily losing home ties of both language and cus-MANY SMELT ARE SHIPPED

"If we side with Russia, we must re-

losing

renders," he said as he pointed to the The entrance iron cross on his breast. He died on held April 20. The entrance examination will be

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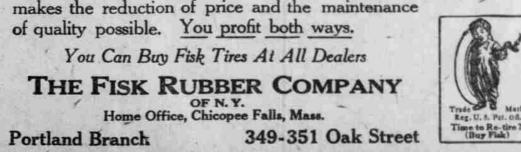
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since this is only one of several voyages he has made to the scene of the tremendous tragedy that is convulsing Europe. In his opening article of the series he mentions the change that has taken place in the character of travel across the Atlantic. He travel across the Atlantic. He is writing on board the liner Lusitania. In his next he will

Will Irwin.

The Oregonian prints this orning the first of a new series

of articles by Will Irwin de-scribing the war in Europe from information gathered at first

Mr. Irwin is not only a trained

observer of historic events, but a

writer whose reputation is al-ready made. He deserves to be rated as a veteran correspondent,

hand

describe the change that has come over England as a result of seven months of war. The series will be presented in The Oregonian by arrangement wit's the New York Tribune.



Missile Thrown Into Hartlepool Valued at \$2.50 a Pound, but Judge Thinks Buyer Is Fool.

high price as souvenirs that a brick-layer and a real estate agent recently went to law over a portion of a shell. The piece weighed 47 pounds and re-tailed at \$2.50 a pound, so the claim-

ants said. The relic was found in a gutter by

The relic was found in a gutter by make a bricklayer named Spoors. Being its discoverer, Spoors claimed the shell as his. Gibbon, the estate agent, heard of this and proceeded to prove that the shell struck a house belonging to a client, whom he held to be the right-ful owner. As the client renounced the title, Gibbon claimed ownership and proceeded to take the piece from Spoors on the arcound that he intended to send

on the ground that he intended to send it as a present to Lord Furness. It as a present to Lord Furness. Before giving judgment to Gibbon, Judge Bonsey, of the County Court, said he would not give a halfpenny for the shell and thought that any one who would pay 20 pounds sterling for it a fool. If the Germans paid a few more visits to Hartlepool, the judge thought, the market price of shells would drap so low that people would

would drop so low that people would not even bother to pick up the frag-ments. would

Improving. (Washington Star.) "My taste in music is improving,

said Mr. Cumrox. "How do you know?" inquired his wife, haughtliy. "I am getting so I can enjoy the music of a hand organ whether it has a monkey with it or not."

Rather Mixed. (New York Globe.)

"I don't like that deal you're in." "Don't worry; you won't be answer-able if it's questionable."

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 28 .- (Special.)-Large quantities of smelt are being shipped daily from Woodland, on the Lewis River, to various points in Oregon, Washington and even to Can-Oregon, Washington and even to Can ada. Last Wednesday a shipment of 1000 boxes of 50 pounds each was sent by boat to Portland, and the same day 500 boxes were sent by express from

75,000 Pounds Leave Woodland in

Day, Most Going to Portland.

the same point. In crossing the Lewis River on the railroad bridge one may see thousands of smelt dying and being washed back down stream, too weak to battle with the current. It is said the smelt do not eat anything after they leave salt water,

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LONDON. Feb. 10.--(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)--Fragments of shells thrown by the Germans on West Hartlepool during the December naval raid are now realizing such a To Cure A Cetd in One Day.