Britain, Germany and Austria Accept Good Offices of United States.

OTHER NATIONS MAY AGREE

Detained Civilians of Military Age Also Are to Be Exchanged, Man for Man, on Suggestion of Washington Government.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—An arrangement between Great Britain and Germany and Austria by which representatives of the United States will

Germany and Austria by which representatives of the United States will inspect and report on alien prison camps in those countries and distribute to prisoners supplies from their own government or other sources, was announced tonight by the State Department. At the same time it was said that through the good offices of the American Government similar arrangements were under contemplation between Russia and France and Germany and Austria-Hungary.

These agreements are based on recommendations contained in a report by Chandler P. Anderson, formerly counseilor of the State Department, who conferred with the foreign offices of Great Britain, Germany and Austria, Hungary last November and visited some of the detention camps in those countries.

Civilians to Be Exchanged.

Mr. Anderson also reported on the exercise of good offices of the United States to bring about a better understanding among the European belligherents regarding the repartration of civilian prisoners. In this connection it is announced that Great Britain and Germany and Austria-Hungary have expressed a willingness to exchange man for man detained enemy civilians of military age, while an arrangement for the release of civilians of normalitary age, while an arrangement for the release of civilians of military age, while an arrangement for the release of civilians of normalitary age, while an arrangement is briefly as follows:

"Each of the beltigerent governments undertakes to furnish for the information of the others full details, showing supplies furnished and the conditions of their life and copies of orders and instructions issued to the commandants.

tion of the others full details, showing supplies furnished and the conditions of their life and copies of orders and instructions issued to the commandants of the prisoners' camps.

"The belligerent governments will permit the representatives of the United States in each country to have access to the prisoners and will allow the prisoners to furnish statements about their treatment and requirements to be communicated to their own government.

No Responsibility Assumed. "The United States in undertaking this work assumes no responsibility of

The good offices of the United States were exercised at the same time to bring about a better understanding among the belligerents in regard to the repatriation of civilian prisoners detained in these countries.

"Mr. Anderson's report shows that these governments had then agreed not to detain any women or children or males under 17 or over 55, between Great Britain and Germany, or under 18 or over 56 between Great Britain and Austria-Hungary, or physicians or clergymen unless some special reason justified detention in individual cases.

"Both sides agreed to arrange for

Further Arrangements Pessible.

"In addition to the arrangements thus adopted these governments have under consideration further arrangements for the exchange and release of detailed enemy aliens, as follows:

"The German and Austro-Hungarian governments are prepared to agree to the reciprocal release of civilians over the age for compulsory military service under their respective laws, which in Germany is 45 years and in Austriaice under their respective laws, which in Germany is 45 years and in Austria-Hungary 42 years of age. The British Government has refused as yet to reduce the age below 55 in the case of Germany, and 59 in the case of Austria-Hungary, but this question has been under consideration and may be reconsidered.

"Both sides have expressed a willing-"Both sides have expressed a willing-ness to agree to an exchange, man for man, of civilians of military age on lists to be proposed on each side for the approval of the other. "The British and German govern-

"The British and German governments are disposed to observe the provisions of articles 6 and 7 of the 11th The Hague convention, of 1997, regarding the crews of enemy merchant ships captured by a belligerent, but there has been a difference between the two governments as to the means of these governments as to the means of these

governments as to the means of these provisions.

"The German government interprets these articles as meaning that the crews of captured ships are not only to be released from imprisonment, but permitted to return to their own country without hindrance if they so desire, under parole against employment in any service connected with the operations of the war.

"The British government, on the other hand, interprets these provisions as merely requiring the liberation on parole in Great Britain of the crews of captured merchant ships under the pretense that they were ordered by the dead person, and were depending upon the relatives to pay the charges. The packages are said to have contained spectacles valued at 35 cents.

GRANTS PASS, Or., March 18.—J. A. Dale and H. P. Tracy are residents of this place. They left together for San Francisco last week. Neither has been in trouble here, and nothing is known by local officers concerning the frauds of which they are accused.

SUBMARINE CONTRACT LET Germans residing in Great Britain.

Information of Captives Gives.

Information of Captives Given. "With regard to the treatment of prisoners, it appears from Mr. Anderson's report that each of the belligerent governments has established for tracif standards and rules governing its treatment of military prisoners of war and civilians in detention camps. They all have announced their willingness, on condition of reciprocity to ness, on condition of reciprocity, to give affect to articles XIV and XVI of the annex to The Hague convention No. IV of 1997, which provide for the establishment of a prisoners of wat inquiry office for furnishing information about prisoners.

and the delivery of mail, money and parcels to prisoners of war.

"It is unquestionably true that each government desires to deal with this difficult situation in a manner which will be satisfactory to all concerned, insofar as circumstances permit.

insofar as circumstances permit. "Perhaps the most important and meeful service which the United States Government, as the custodian of their interests, has rendered to these beiligerent nations has been to bring about, through the exercise of its good offices, the present arrangement, which will the present arrangement, which will lead to a better understanding among them as to the existing facts and the

German budget, Major Ernst Bassermann, national Hiberal, praised the German army and navy for their bravery and expressed particular admiration over the achievements of Field Marshal von Hindenburg. A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam quotes Major Bassermann as saying:

"We are all convinced of the decisive success of our army, and that our enemies will suffer an annihilating defeat."

Philipp Scheldemann, Socialist, also eulogized the German, troops for their bravery. He ridiculed the suggestion that Germany could be starved.

Herr Scheldemann said that a people which did not have its freedom to defend had nothing to defend. The Socialists, he declared, desired that, subject to military interests, the freedom of the press and of public meeting should be restored.

The föreign estimates were adopted and the war estimates passed without debate.

SERVIST FOUND GUILTY.

Principal in Conspiracy Case Is to Admit Fraud and Throw Self on Mercy of Court.

FEDERAL TRADES COMMISSION ANNOUNCES POLICY.

Consideration of Contract Forms of Selling Agreements Before Agreed Held Physicial Impossibility.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The Federal Trade Commission will make no attempt to advise corporations as to the legality, under the Trade Commission act, of any transactions they con-

"Both sides agreed to arrange for the reciprocal release of all civilians physically disqualified for military service.

Further Arrangements Pessible.

"In addition to the arrangements is limited to advice after the fact.

GRANTS PASS MEN ARRESTED IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Officers Say Packages Were Mailed to Relatives of Men Recently Dead. With Request to Pay.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 18 .- Postal SAN FRANCISCO, MBrch 18.—Fostal agents arrested J. A. Dale, a real estate agent, and H. P. Tracy, a watchmaker, both of Grants Pass, Or., here today on charges of using the mails to defraud.

packages to persons who have alon, under the pretense that they were ordered by the dead person, and were depending upon the relatives to pay the charges. The packages are said to have contained spectacles valued at 35

Construction of United States Sea going Diving Craft Begins Soon.

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- Secretary Daniels signed today contract plans for the Navy's first sea-going sub-marine and announced that it would be known as the Schley, in honor of the late Rear-Admiral Schley. The contract, as well as contracts for three harbor defense submarines, was awarded to the Electric Boat Company,

awarded to the Electric Boat Company, of Groten, Coan, Navy officials believe the new seasoing submarine upon which construction now will be commenced, is the first of that type in the world. Her displacement will be in the neighborhood of 1998 tons, with a surface speed of 28 knots and an underwater speed of between 18 and 13 knots.

# RANCHER KILLS HIS FAMILY

Neighbor Also Murdered by Montana Man Whom Posse Seeks.

them as to the existing facts and the best method of dealing with this situation in the future."

GERMAN BRAVERY LAUDED

Reichstag Speakers Convinced of Nation's Ultimate Victory.

LONDON, March 18—In the course of the debate in the Reichstag in connection with the second reading of the limits o

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onvincing Sales You Dare Not Ignore!

Women's Black Cotton Stockings -Of fine maco cotton yarn, extra spliced heels and toes, guaranteed stainless. Two pairs for 25c.....

Children's Silk Lisle Stockings In good medium weight, with extra spliced heels and toes, guaranteed fast black. All sizes, ribbed styles .....

500 Rubber Top Fitted

Black Cotton Messaline

Petticoats 89c

5000 Rolls of Extra Quality

10c Toilet Paper

Special 5C Roll

Bleached and absorbent. 1000

sheets to every roll. Buy all you need at this unusual price of 5c. —Basement

5c and 7c Handkerchiefs
Of Fine Plain White Lawn

3c Each

-With striped and cross-bar borders, hem-

stitched edges, some of dimities and lawn.

—Also childrea's school handkerchiefs with

novelty colored figured hems. -Basement.

The New Colored Edge

Handkerchiefs 5c

-Made of fine soft finished lawn, showing the new cross-stitch hem done in white, pink, blue

Special Sale Thin Blown Leaded

Glass Tumblers

Of Highly Polished Crystal Regular Prices to \$1.25 Dozen

5c Each

-11-oz. optic lemonade glasses.

\_10-oz. bell-shape water glasses.

\$1.75 to \$2.00 New \$1.19 Spring Nadia Corsets

-With medium and medium low bust, extra

length over the hips and the new in-curve at

10c Extension Rods for 5c

30 and 54 Inches Long

5c Sash Curtain Rods, 2 for 5c

Size 22, 44 Inches Long

and come with all hooks and brackets complete.

Sale Colonial Rag Rugs

50c Rugs for 37c Size 18 by 36 Inches

\$1.00 Rugs for 79c

Size 27x54 Inches

—In blue, pink, green, tan and brown. All are washable. New designs.

These can be used on any full-sized window,

-Basement.

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\_9-oz. table tumblers.

the waist line.

7-oz. ginger ale or mineral tumblers.

ished with pleated ruffle.

-Made with deep flaring tucked flounce, fin-

15c 19c Pair

No Phone or Mail Orders Filled in Economy Basement J"Merchandise of Merit Only Pacific Phone Marshall 5000 Home Phone A 6691

\$1.50 Triangle Wiz- 98C ard Mops, Special..

-These mops dust, clean and pollah Lowest price quoted on \$1.50 size. - Basement

45c Gingham Co- 29c verall Aprons. .... -In navy blue and white check, belt-ed back and side pocket.

-Basement.

\$1.95

For Trimmed Hemp Hats -A most attractive collection of the season's newest styles, suitable for misses and women. Hats that you would never expect to find at this price-hats skillfully trimmed by our own milliners in effective Spring styles.

95c For Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 Untrimmed Hats

-All the newest shapes for Spring are to be found here at 95c-small sailors, rolling brims, close-fitting styles, bonnet shapes and many other models that will be becoming to any woman or girl, and many shapes that will please the older woman. They only require a simple bit of trimming—and you have a new Spring hat at the

JUST IN AGAIN-THE SCARCEST FLOWERS AND FRUITS FOR HAT TRIMMINGS

Clusters of cherries in red, champagne, cerise and black, with green or black foliage. Prices at 25c, 35c to 95c.

-Clusters of three flat crushed roses, in rose or white, at 35c. -Purple shaded pansies, in silk or velvet, at 25c.

-Marguerites with yellow centers, and black yelvet daisies, 25c, 35c. -Wreaths of small flowers and buds, or variegated fruits with green or moss foliage and clusters of rose foliage with pink buds, at 50c. -Basement

New Arrivals in Women's Wearing Apparel Suits—Coats—Skirts

IN THE NEWEST STYLES FOR SPRING For Which You Would Pay Much More Elsewhere

New Suits at \$15 Black and white checked suits, with jackets in the new high-waisted effect, belted at the

sides, deep shawl revers in front of silk. Detachable collar of embroidered white silk poplin and cuffs to match revers. Another style in Empire effect, with collars and cuffs trimmed with black corded silk. Skirts made in plain flaring style. Jackets lined with peau de

New Suits at \$18.85 | TanCovertClothCoats\$9.25 These suits are of a fine navy gabardine or black and white checks, belted in high-waisted style, with full, flaring deep peplum, in a smart effect. Fin-ished with detachable collar of white silk crepe, embroidered in colors. Skirt

made in semi-circular style, with yoke effect at top. Jackets lined with excellent quality peau de cygne silk. New Flaring Skirts \$3.98 In black and white checks.

-Two of the newest Spring models, one with patch pockets, the other with pleat down front, both trimmed with self buttons, and cut on the new flaring lines. -Basement. -Remarkable coats at this price, made of ood-looking quality of tan covert cloth, with belted back and patch pockets. Collar trimmed with black velvet, coat finished with bone buttons. These coats are in the newest cut for Spring, equally becoming to girls or women

Black and White Check Coats \$6.75

-An entirely new style in yoke effect, with full, flaring back, deep armholes, and collar trimmed with black satin. These exceptional coats are trimmed with novelty buttons. You could find nothing more up-to-date than these black and white coats. Basement

Just Received by Express THREE ENTIRELY NEW MODELS

Voile and Swiss Emb. Waists Which We Place on Sale Friday

At the Exceptional Price of 98c

-Made of fine voile and allover dotted Swiss in white and the new light sand shade. They have collars of plain organdie and collars that are lace -Basement

Florence Plans Deep Sca Fishing.

FLORENCE, Or., March 18 .- (Spe

cial.)-Two local owners of gasoline

boats, A. A. Miner and John Safley, are

having a boat built at the yards of the

Astoria Shipbuilding Company, at As-

boat will be 55 feet long with a 14-foot



# Handkerchiefs for Men

Of soft white finished material. Made with narrow hemstitched hems.

5c Each

Women's Newest Spring Boots

In Style as Illustrated

Special \$3.95

tops. Plain toe models, button style. Cuban leather heels, patent backs

and vamps. Sizes 3 to 8.

With gray, fawn and black cloth

-You will find that these men's handkerchiefs are the best you have found at such a low price.

75c House Dresses Of Striped and Checked Ginghams Sale 59c

Made with small turn-down collar of self or plain colored materials, elbow set-in sleeves and piped waistline. Plain gored skirt. All sizes

Children's 75c Play Overalls 59c

For Boys and Girls 1 to 8 Years Old -Takes the place of overall and blouse, protects clothing. Made of serviceable blue denim in plain and striped designs. Long or short sleeves, round neck. -Basement

More New Neckwear The Regular 35c and 50c Styles

For 25c

-Lace collars, organdie collars, Swiss embroi-dered collars, net collars, in roll, flat, flare and pleated styles. Vestees with collar attached. Trimmed with hemstitched, picot and lace edg-

50c and 75c Children's Rompers Of Chambray and Gingham

Sale 39c

-In checks and plain colors, in bloomer and open-leg style, trimmed with contrasting pipings. Sizes 6 months to 6 years. Round and squareneck effects, long and short sleeves. —Basement

1000 Pieces of New Solid Gold Diamond Chip Set Jewelry 69c Each

-Cuff links, tie clasps, hat pins, scarf pins, beauty pins and many other dainty little jewelry novelties, artistically set with real chip diamonds

**UNDERMUSLINS** 

Children's Drawers 12c -Sizes 2 to 12 years. In straight-leg style with hemstitched hem and tucks, finished with band and buttonholes.

Women's 25c Drawers 19c —Of longcloth, with deep ruffle, hemstitched hem and tucks. Open and closed styles.

40c Corset Covers 29c

Of fine longcloth, trimmed with laces and insertions, beading and ribbons. Some with yoke effects. All sizes 36 to 44. - Basement

# CANNERIES SAVE CITIES

WITHOUT PACKED SUPPLY CHICAGO WOULD STARVE IN WEEK.

Famine in America Impossible, Say Member of Big Industry; Ptomaine Theory is Declared Unproved.

in three days, if all canned foods were removed, G. W. Drake, secretary of the Western Association of Canners, told the convention of the National Canners' Association here today,

"The development of the canning industry is so thorough," he added, "that there can never be a famine in America.

Firm Fined for Paying Bill.

there can never be a samine industry incase of war the canning industry could supply enough canned food to feed the greatest army the Nation could possibly assemble. The 1,200,000,000 cans we turn out annually represent only one-third of the capacity of the country."

There was not, he said, a single authenticated record of ptomaine poisoning from canned foods in 2000 supposed cases reported to the association and investigated.

Interned Women to Be Freed.

NISH, Serbia, via London, March 18.

-After prolonged negotiations through the medium of the Spanish legation at Bucharest, the governments of Serbia and Austris have agreed to exchange creditors in England.

Hog and Chicken Feed interned women irrespective of their age, and men under 18 years and

RUMANIA SEIZES SHELLS Munitions From Germany for Turkey toria, for use in deep sea fishing. The

Falsely Marked, It Is Said. CHICAGO, March 18.—Chicago would starve to death in a week, New York in three days, if all canned foods were in three days, if all canned foods were the Rumanian government has seized to be at the beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished May 1. The beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished May 1. The beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished May 1. The beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is planned, will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is planned, will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will be used established beam and will contain a gusoline engine. It is to be finished foods will

> Firm Fined for Paying Bill. BRUSSELS, via Berlin and London, March 18.—The firm of Henri Leten has been fined 29,000 marks (\$5000), for vio-

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Large lot of hog and chicken feed, principally wheat, whole or cracked corn for sale cheap in lots to suit.



RHEUMATISM Remedied at Home "6088" (Sixty-Eighty-Hight) act ke the waters of Hot Springs an ther famous Rheumatism an No Costly Sanstorium Trips Needed