AUSTRIA MAY PROVE KEY TO WAR'S END

Germany Unlikely to Be Invaded.

"STARVING OUT" IMPROBABLE

Irwin Thinks Neither Side Can Break Other's Lines.

GENIUS MAY CHANGE ALL

Unexpected Possibilities Include Side-Door Attack by Way of Holland or Denmark, but This Is Remote Possibility.

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LONDON, March 11.-Yesterday passed a paling of Kensington Gardens with an Englishman, Spring breaks early here; the first crocuses

pushing through a turf which has remained bright and "Spring is here,"

He shuddered. Yes," he replied, "It is, and I hate to think of it! I suppose," he added. that the Spring was never before unwelcome in this world."

For we all know over here - or at least such of us as dare open our imaginations—that we are approaching a series of dreadful months. Before the wheat is ripe a million fine, tail fellows will be underground; before the wheat is garnered

the material accumulations of centuries will be dust and nahes. Ghastly Preparations Made.

There is a certain ghastliness, as of an execution, in the deliberate manner near her home soon after the burglary. ith which all England-and, of course all France and Germany as well-has begun to make preparations for succoring the wreckage of war, I over heard last week the details and figures of certain hospital preparations. I would not be fair to quote those fig upes here: it is enough to say that England, in the next few months, expects to handle the wounded by hundreds of

effort on both sides of the western front on as weather permits. Improve war as we may, we cannot beat the elements; no general in his senses tries to do that. There is no use of inaugurating a general attack when bad roads will prevent you from Carpathians, in a sector occupied by following up a victory. How soon or three army corps, took as prisoners 202 how late this terrible Spring attack officers, 8 surgeous and 16,207 of the begins will depend upon the sort of rank and file and captured 62 machine

Germany May Strike First.

here that the great Spring drive will be initiated by the allies; they take it will be a frontal attack on Belgium. Both these expectations are doubtful. Yost, the famous football coach, and that attack is the best defense. New bodies of troops have been moving into Relgium for a fortnight: the damaged their final ruin by heavy transports of new guns and ammunition.

Any day, in fact, Germany may anticipate the strategists of the allies by an through as to convince the allies that strike

further advance is hopeless.

Holocaust to Follow Holocaust. This month of March, 1914, may be our last breathing space until Autumn. During the rest of this Spring and Summer event will be following on event holocaust on holocaust, so fast that we shall all be too mad for consecu tive thought. After all, London is not a bad place from which to view the course of events in Europe. In fact, only the Vatican, which is in this war but not of it, is the place in Europe which gives a better vantage ground

for a general view. London is still the focus of the world's travel. Neutrals, and especially Americans, are continually passing in and out, to and from the allied countries and the enemy countries. From them one gets the facts and gossip which correct the carefully-censored and often mendacious "news" given out by official bureaus.

Western Line Likely to Hold.

Here is what your correspondent considers a fair statement of present conditions and future prospects:

The Germans, in all human probability, cannot break the allied line the west. The fortunes of the British army between October 10 and November 15 seem to show that. In the height of the assault at Ypres 608,000 Germans failed to break 120,000 British. mans failed to break 120,000 British, just arrived, imperfectly intrenched and without reserves. Now the British are reinforced to many times their old strength, perfectly intrenched and possessed of enormous reserves. The French, of course, have not increased their numbers like the British. But they have dug in thoroughly, they will have (Conchided on Pars S.) (Concluded on Pare 3.)

RUSSIANS SHELL BLACK SEA PORTS

STEAMER AND MANY Co of O Lab ALSO REPORTED SUNK.

Aviators Drop Bombs, Despite Vigorous Fusillade by Turks-Li-

bau Bombarded by Germans. PETROGRAD, via London, March 31

The War Office tonight Issued the ollowing communication: "Our Black Sea fleet has bombarded Zunguldak, Koslu, Kilimli and Eregli (ports in Asia Minor, about 150 miles ast of Constantinople). The bombard-

ment caused a series of heavy explo sions and a number of fires. We also sunk a steamer and many colliers. In spite of a sharp fusiliade. our aviators dropped bombs from aero-

LONDON, March 31.-The Libau correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company sends a message saying that as a result of two bombardments of Libau by the German fleet, three person have been killed and seven wounded and 15 houses have been damaged. Telegraph wires also have been wrecked and the steamer Baltica, in port, sustalned damage.

A Reuter's dispatch received from Constantinople by way of Berlin says the allied fleet has resumed its bombardment of villages near the outer aviators are making daily connais-

JEWELS RETURNED LOST

Child Finds Stolen Valuables and Advertises in The Oregonian.

and two gold chains which were stolen in the Chinese capital. from the home of Mrs. Catherine Friednan, 369 Twelfth street, on March 30 Young Rider, who lives at 455 Hall street, found the jewels while playing near the Portland Academy.

Alfred carried the jewels to his ather. For several days they waited o see if the lost property would be advertised. Then Alfred asked the auhorities at the Portland Academy if the necklaces had been lost by a girl student. This theory failed. Mr. Rider inserted an advertisement for the agrees that when the Japanese govowner in The Oregonian last Tuesday Yesterday the jewels were

laimed by Mrs. Friedman. Mrs. Friedman says that her hom was robbed of a gold watch and a mesh bag at the same time she lost the necklaces. The watch and bag were found

LATE CAPTIVES ARE 40,000

Austria Reports Number of Russians Taken in One Month.

VIENNA, via London, March 31 .- An official communication given out by the War Office tonight says:

"Since March 1 we have captured al-For no one doubts that a supreme together 183 officers and 19,942 men ine guns.

-An official note issued tonight says: the 19th of March the Russians in the

People seem to take it for granted MINE WAGE IS INCREASED

Michigan Properties Are Renewing Operations Stopped by War.

CHICAGO, March 31 .- A Houghton, the German War Office seem to hold the same view of a defensive campaign—

Ticker says that the Copper Range mines announced today they would increase wages 10 per cent, beginning tomorrow. The advance restores the Belgian roads have been brought to scale to the standard which was reduced on the outbreak of the European war.

CALUMET, Mich., March 31,-It was amounced here today that the Tamaattack designed not so much to break rack mine, which was closed during the of 1913, will open Thursday. April 1, employing 500 men. All mines are increasing their output and adding to their forces.

POST CARRIES UTENSILS

Sherman County Folk Ship House hold Goods Through Postoffice.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 31 .- (Spe cial.)-The largest shipment by parcel post ever received here came this week, when S. W. Stanton and family, removing from Sherman County to the West Side, mailed a portion of their

household goods. Trunks, washboilers and washboards, kitchen utensils and parts of beds, all

wrapped separately, came through the The parcels were delivered by rural free delivery and formed two good

VLADIVOSTOK MADE BUSIER

loads for the carrier.

British Captain Says Increased Life in Port Is Due to War.

SEATTL2, Wash, March 31. — Captain Howe, of the British steamer Lowther Castle, from Viadivostok, says the war has made that port one of

tinuously.

JAPAN'S DEMANDS ON CHINA GIVEN OU

Copies Furnished to Nations Vary.

FOREIGNERS ARE IN DOUBT

Only Part of Note Is Sent to Various Capitals.

CRISIS IS BELIEVED NEAR

Pekin's Refusal to Consent to Ex tra-Territorial Rights for Japanese Immigrants May Cause Break in Conference.

PEKIN, Thursday, February 25 .-Correspondence of the Associated Press.)-Since the negotiations between Japan and China concerning the Japa ese demands on the republic have been going on in Pekin, reference has been nade to two sets of Japanese demands One consists of 21 clauses and was resented to China as a basis of newo tiations; the other consists of 12 Alfred Rider, 8 years old, succeeded clauses, and was given by the Japanese yesterday in restoring to the owner a Minister in Pekin to the Russian, lewel case containing two necklaces French, British and American Ministers

> "Friendly Relations" Desired. The text of the demands handed to the Chinese government follows: Group 1-The Japanese governmen and the Chinese government, being destrous of maintaining the peace of Eastern Asia and of further strength ening the friendly relations existing between the two neighboring nations agree to the following articles:

Article 1. The Chinese government ernment hereafter approaches the German government for the transfer of all rights and privileges of whatsoever nature enjoyed by Germany in the Province of Shan-Tung, whether secured by treaty or in any other manner. China will give her full assent thereto.

Shan-Tung Opened to Trade.

Article 2. The Chinese government agrees that within the Province of Shan-Tung and along its sea border no territory or island or land of any name or nature shall be ceded or leased to any third power.

Article 2. The Chinese government consents to Japan's building a railway from Chi-Fu or Lung-How to join the

Kiau-Chau-Chinan-Fu Railway. Article 4. The Chinese government agrees that for the sake of trade and for the residence of foreigners, certain important places shall be speedily PETROGRAD, via London, Murch 21. opened in the province of Shantung as terstate Bridge Commission, has called Friedrich loaded coal at Newport News back or be threatened with interfer-"During the period from the 20th to be jointly decided upon by the two gov-

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WRITERS MAY HAVE HOME

Former Publisher Donates Site for Newspapermen's Refuge.

NEW YORK, March 21 .- John Bris en Walker, formerly a magazine publisher here, now retired to a Colorado estate, announced through the Editor and Publisher today an offer to give a site of 40 acres at Mount Morrison, Colo., to establish a home for news-papermen. Mr. Walker said that he had reached the decision to offer the gift after conferences with New York

ournalists. In his announcement Mr. Walker dejournalism, no attempt has been made her dock tonight is generally conup to this time to establish a country | ceded home where those who have given their best efforts to the press may find a retreat in the event of a temporary o permanent breakdown."

Bridge Commission to Meet.

treaty ports, such necessary places to a meeting of the Commission to be held and reports persisted that she was pretreaty ports, such necessary places to be jointly decided upon by the two governments by separate agreement.

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THE GREATEST GAME ON EARTH VS. THE GREATEST WAR.

AS IF FOR VOYAGE

German Is Mysterious to Last Moment.

BAND CHEERS SAILORS' TASK

Fuel Allowed on Basis of Nearest Home Port, Bremen.

FUTURE COURSE UNKNOWN

Request for Pilot Rumored, but Belief Is Expressed in Some Quarters That Skipper Finally Will Intern Vessel.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Murch 31. Under supervision of the United States Navy, the German converted cruise Prinz Eitel Friedrich tonight was filling her bunkers with coal, 1600 tons of coal having been delivered along-

side late in the day. As the first sacks of coal were hoisted from the barges the ship's band struck up a German national air and at frequent intervals until a late hour the sailors labored to the accompaniof patriotic music. mated that the coal would be in the vessel's bunkers before morning.

Intentions Still Mystery.

Despite the coaling operations, the future course of Commander Thierich-ens remains a mystery. The coal he was permitted to take aboard was reasured by American naval officers on the basis that it would be sufficient to take the Eitel to the nearest Ger man port. Bremen was the port which figured in the official naval apportion-

Request for Pilot Rumored. One report that received some credence tonight was that the German Captain had asked for a pilot. other rumor was that he wished to have his ship piloted to the Norfolk Navy-yard to be interned. Why he the most damage. should desire so much fuel if he intended to intern was explained in one source on the ground that he wanted clared that, "although no profession minute that he intended to sail in or- strength to force their way through makes more serious demands upon the der to hold the allies' warships off the Uzsok and Lupkow Passes, with the health of its members than that of capes, That the Eitel will not leave result that some of the heaviest and

MARINES GUARDING VESSEL

Washington Acts on Request of

Commander Thierichens. WASHINGTON, March 31 .- While the

Wednesday's War Moves

Two German submarines, the U-28 and another, the number of which has not been ascertained, which have been operating off the west coast o England during the past few days, have added two more British steamers, the Flaminian and Crown of Castile, to the Flaminian and Crown of Castile, to their list of vietims, totalling five since King Says He Is Will-Saturday night.

There was no loss of life on the Flaminian and Crown of Castile, the crews of each having barely time to get into their boats. In the case of the latter vessel, however, the submarine fired before the crews left the steamer and shells passed along the bridge, on which the captain and an apprentice were standing.

The Crown of Castile was sunk by shell fire, but this did not prove suf-ficient to send the Flaminian to the bottom and a torpedo had to be used.

As an offset to this, a French destroyer rammed, and it is believed sank, a German submarine off Dieppe

As the destroyers have been unable o round up the submarines operating on the British coast, ship owners have petitioned the government to be a owed to arm their ships. This has no een permitted heretofore, as steamers could then be considered ships of was and be sunk without notice. The heavy loss of life in the sinking of the Falaba and Aguila has aroused a storm of indignation throughout Great Britain and the demand is made that the crews of submarines be treated as pirates, if captured.

The question and that relating to drink which is alleged to have caused delay in the delivery of British munitions of war, absorb public interest. The King, through his secretary, has sent a letter to the Chancellor of the Exhequer, emphasizing the necessity of taking some action to stop excessive drinking, and has offered, if it is considered advisable, personally to give up the use of alcoholic liquor and prohibit the use of it in the royal household.

any decision. In order to prevent further delay in the Liverpool docks, caused by the men refusing to work week ends, it has been decided to incorporate the dockers in the army voluntarily, in which case they will receive both army and their regu-

So far as actual fighting is concerned, the official reports contain little news. The big effort in the west, and counter-attack, while the airmen the opposing force and dropping bombs armament factories. where they might be expected to do

In the east the Russians are holding the Germans in North and Central to make it appear up to the very last Poland and are putting forth all their most continuous fighting of the war is in progress in the Carpathians, both sides laying claim to successes.

The Eussians, who have aiready forced Dukia Pass, are slowly making their way down the southern slopes of the Carpathians into Hungary, and, secording to British critics, must soon compel the Austrians and Germans defending the two other passes to fall things must inevitably result in the

we contingents to fight for the em- prepared to set an example by giving pire, has offered a third, which prob-ably will be accepted. In all cases issuing orders against its consumption the dominions have sent more men than

was originally expected. CONFESSION IS ALLEGED

J. C. Douville Said to Have Admitted

Fraud in Portland. SALEM, Or., March 31 .- (Special.)-C. Douville, alias Charles P. Barkwell, arrested here Tuesday on a charge of passing worthless checks, said today, according to the police, that he would plead guilty to a charge of obtaining money under false protenses. taining money under talse prefenses.

It was announced that he passed checks here drawn on the Northwestern National Bank of Portland aggregating \$111. The officers of the bank
said that he had no money there.

The police say that Douville confessed to having had cashed a worthless check for \$55 on the A. G. Spaulde. less check for \$95 on the A. G. Spaulding Company and one for Knepper Brothers, of Portland.

COWS SUPPLANT BABIES

Lane County Board Abolishes Contest and Raises Dairy Prizes.

EUGENE, Or., March 31 .- (Special.) -Bables must give way to cows at the 1915 Lane County Frir. The fair board last night abolished the eugenics department of the county fair and substituted additional prizes for the dairy stringent restrictions. department.

"Lane County is a dairy county, and the matter will require long con-will become more so within the next sideration, for there are the questions few years," said a member of the fair of compensation and the finding of emboard today. "The board aims to do ployment for thousands of men and all possible to encourage the producall possible to encourage the production of better cattle. We thought it

OREGON CITY, Or., March \$1 .- (Spe-

cial.)-Ability to sell to a man some

thing that he does not want is often described as the highest salesmanship. described as the highest salesmanship, but, judging from a suit filed today in the Circuit Court by B. F. Kellogg, E. M. Howell, the defendant in the action has gone the ancient test one better. Kellogg alleges that Howell actually sold to him property that was already his own and that he has used for many years. Kellogg asks for \$179.54, the alleged purchase price of the property.

BRITAIN CONSIDERS BAN ON ALL LIQUOR

ing to Set Example.

MUNITIONS DELAYED BY DRINK

Lloyd-George and Kitchener Favor Drastic Action.

ALL CLASSES CONCERNED

Success in War Held to Overshadow All Other Interests Leaders Declare Total Prohibition to Be Necessary.

LONDON, March 31, - King George has added his plea to that of the shipowners and, in some cases, that of the laberites themselves, that some vigorous measures be adopted to cope with the question of drunkenness, which, it in urged, is having the effect of delaying the delivery of munitions of war.

The King has volunteered, if it is considered advisable, personally to give up the use of all alcoholic liquors, and to issue an order against their use in the reyal household. Such a notifica-George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, by the King's private secreary, Lord Stamfordhar

King Expresses Deep Concern. The letter of Lord Stamfordham fol-

"Dear Chancellor of the Exchequer-The King thanks you for so promptly getting him a full report of the proceedings at yesterday's meeting of the deputation of employers. His Majesty which has been so long awaited, seems has read it with intense interest, but to be still far off, and the operations also with the deepest concern. He feels are confined to an occasional attack that nothing but the most vigorous measures will successfully cope with on both sides are kept busy watching the grave situation now existing in our

"We have before us the statement not merely of the employers, but of the Admiralty and the War Office, which are responsible for munitions of war and for the transport of troops and their food and ammunition. From this evidence it is without doubt largely due to drink that we are unable to secure the output of war material indispensable to meet the requirements has been such serious delay, in conse once of the necessary reinforcements of supplies to aid our gallant troops at

King Would Set Example

prolongation of the horrors and busdens of this terrible war.

"I am instructed to add that, if it be Australia, which has already sent deemed advisable, the King will be in the royal households, so that no difference shall be made, so far as His Majesty is concerned, between the treatment of the rich and the poor in

this question. "LORD STAMFORDHAM. "The King's Private Secretary

The question of drink and its effect n the work, which is considered neces sary for the successful prosecution of war, overshadows at the present moment everything else in public interest The press and the public favor some drastic measures, a majority newspapers expressing the belief that total prohibition, which would apply

to all classes, is necessary. Total Prohibition May Result. The government, however, has not reached a decision on the question, al-

though if Mr. Lloyd-George and Lord

Kitchener have their way it is believed

bring this about the government must have an act of Parliament passed. It is pointed out that to prohibit the where men are engaged in the manufacture of munitions would cause a great outery, and that aside from total prohibition apparently the only way of dealing with the matter is a further curtailment in the hours of sale. Som

Many Questions Involved.

At a meeting of the Glasgow liquor better to put this money into stock than into bables."

OWN LOT BOUGHT, HE SAYS

B. F. Kellogg Complains He Paid for Tract Already Held.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 31.—(Spe
At a meeting of the Glasgow liquor dealers it was decided to ask Mr. Lloyde deputation from the which will suggest a drastic reduction in the hours of or the sale of liquor. The same deputation will confer with the labor leaders.

Britons consume per capita i wice as much alcohol as do Americans. The revenue from alcohol is 40,000,000 pounds (\$200,000,000) a year, while the war is costing \$60,000,000 pounds (\$200,000,000 pounds (\$200,000,000

Treasury officials figure that they can well afford to lose the revenue from alcohol if atopping its sale will shorten the war.

People of Norwich Incensed.

NORWICH, England, March 31.
Public opinion is so strongly incensed over the attitude of some labor leaders on the war that the independent labor party was unable to secure a suitable hall for a conference which had been arranged for Monday and Terrange.

