

AMERICA HAS FEW MILITARY SECRETS

General Holds It Unwise to Keep From People What Every Possible Foe Knows.

PUBLICITY NOW GENERAL

Only Experimental Work Is Kept Secret—When Plans Are Adopted Policy Is to Distribute Descriptive Books.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The British Navy today is approximately twice as strong as the combined fleets of Germany and Austria, while the Teutonic combination is about double the sea fighting force of the United States, according to information in the possession of the Navy Department.

America Outranks Japan. So far as is known, the Captain told the committee, the Japanese building programme adopted several years ago, which will not be completed for several years to come, provides for a modern fleet of eight dreadnoughts and eight battle cruisers.

The witness disagreed with Rear Admiral Grant, chief of submarines, who preceded him, as to the advisability of abandoning the present smaller submarine types in favor of 800-ton boats.

Bill Held Too Draconic. The House committee received, however, a written statement from Brigadier-General William Crozier, giving his views on the Tillman bill to prohibit the disclosure of military secrets.

"I am familiar with the statement that our government has no military secrets, which is in great part true, although not absolutely so, since this department has a few. The facts recited, however, not so much from unauthorized disclosure as from our own practice of spreading in reports, hearings and other public documents, information in regard to our own military secrets.

Secrets Hard to Keep. We do this largely for the reason that such subjects are exceedingly difficult to keep secret and that if we should refrain from publishing them they would still be known to foreign military staffs and our own people would be the only interested parties not informed.

SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED

Milwaukee Voters to Act on Water Company Purchase.

MILWAUKEE, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Saturday, March 4, was the date fixed last night by the Milwaukee Council for the special election for submitting to the voters the question of authorizing the Council to acquire the plant of the Milwaukee Water Company for the sum of \$1,500,000.

Y. M. C. A. DELEGATES GONE Fifteen From Eugene Will Participate in Corvallis Conference.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Fifteen delegates from the campus Y. M. C. A. left this afternoon for Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis to attend the ministry mission conference called by the college Y. M. C. A.'s of Oregon.

Rainier Has First Liquor Arrest. RAINIER, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—The first arrest in this city under the Anderson law was made yesterday, when Sheriff Stanwood arrested J. E. Roth on a complaint signed by W. H. Cooper, District Attorney.

Files Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Druggists refund money if PAIN OINTMENT fails to cure itching, biting, stinging or Pruritic Piles, First application relieves, 50c.

MARVELOUS COSTUME WORN BY SOCIETY GIRL AT "BALL OF THE GODS."



EDITORS ARE IN TOILS

Mexicans Taken in Los Angeles for Inciting Murder.

BROTHERS RESIST ARREST

Federal Warrants Served on Magons, Who Accused Wilson of "Conniving With Carranza" and Advocated Bloodshed.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18.—Enrique Flores Magon and Ricardo Flores Magon, brothers and editors of El Regeneracion, an avowedly Mexican revolutionary publication, were arrested early tonight on charges of using the mails to incite murder and revolution.

One of Brothers Wounded. When the officers entered the newspaper plant, the Magon brothers resisted arrest. In the struggle in a small room, Enrique Magon was struck on the head by P. G. Thompson, deputy United States Marshal, with the butt of a revolver and seriously injured.

Editorials Accuse Wilson. The editorials, according to the indictments, charge President Wilson with conniving with General Carranza, because the latter has agreed "to deliver the Mexican people to the rapacious American."

The Magon brothers were arrested here in 1913 on charges of inciting revolution among Mexicans and thereby violating the neutrality laws of the United States. They were convicted and served a term in the Government prison on McNeil's Island, Washington.

SHIP ROUTE IS CHANGED DUTCH VESSELS AVOID MINE FIELDS IN NORTH SEA.

Boats Flying Neutral Flags Are Believed to Have Pat Explosives Off Mouth of Thames.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The prevalence of mines in the North Sea is causing a complete change in the routing of Dutch shipping. Recently Dutch liners bound for Oriental ports gave up the Suez Canal route in favor of the Cape of Good Hope passage.

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Sale Negligee Shirts. With Military and Regulation Turn-down Collar. Both Light and Dark Stripes and in Plain Blue. Ferguson & McKinney Guaranteed 75c Shirt. Through a special price concession we were prompted to purchase a splendid lot of Men's Negligee Shirts and at this sale we turn them over to our patrons and store friends at the same big saving. They are made of excellent wearing materials, guaranteed not to fade and to wear to your satisfaction. They come in styles with military or regular turn-down collar and in all sizes in plain blue chambray, or in light or dark stripes. A Ferguson & McKinney Guaranteed 75c Shirt, on 49c.

NEW SPRING STYLES Children's Dresses. 59c, 85c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75. An unsurpassed showing of the new season's styles in plaids, stripes and plain colors. The materials are Amoskeag ginghams, chambray and Anderson's Scotch ginghams. All are extra well made and neatly finished and trimmed. All sizes, from 6 to 14 years. Moderately priced at 59c to \$1.75. Ribbons 25c a Yard. Novelty and staple Hair Bow Ribbons in all the most popular Spring colors. Narrow Gros Grain and Georgette Hat Ribbons in the new Spring shades of old rose, blues, greens, purples, black, white, etc., specially priced at 25c.

GOVERNOR PARDONS TWO. G. M. Gulbrandsen Freed and Citizenship Restored to J. H. Wright. SALEM, Or., Feb. 18.—(Special.)—Governor Withcombe today granted a conditional pardon to George M. Gulbrandsen, who was serving an indefinite term in the Penitentiary for bootlegging establishment in this city last Saturday night. He had been in the penitentiary since last July, having been convicted in Multnomah County. To John H. Wright the executive granted a full pardon, and restored him to citizenship. Wright, who was serving a sentence of one to five years for obtaining money by false pretenses, was paroled two years ago. He was from Coos County.

Jenning's Saturday Special! This Regular \$3.00 "Peerless" Cooking, Roasting and Serving Set. Only \$1.28. Three high-grade, durable and beautifully finished pieces, readily convertible into nine separate, complete and serviceable kitchen utensils. Guaranteed Pure Solid Aluminum. No Telephone Orders—None C. O. D.—No Deliveries. Basement Salesroom, Main Store. HENRY JENNING & SONS WASHINGTON STREET AT FIFTH.

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