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SLAVS TO YIELD TO POLITICAL BANDITS

Acceptance of Peace Allied Navies Will Check Sub-Treaty Authorized.

SOLDIERS, WORKMEN AGREE

Council Resolution Hints at Another Struggle.

HUN INVASION CONTINUES

ambassador Francis in Statement Made at Valgada Urges Russia Not to Accept Severe Terms Imposed by Germans.

workmen's council, while recognizing Sir Eric with curve charts. that the German peace terms were on its delegates to the Moscow congress to vote for the ratification of the peace, mays the Izvestia, the Bolshevik organ. This action is advised because the peace has afforded the social revolution an "absolutely necessary respite."

LONDON, March 7 .- The decision of things upon which they count. the central executive committee of the soldiers' and workmen's council in fa- the weapons, but they are beginning vor of accepting the German peace to become available now. terms was arrived at, a Petrograd dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company reports, in view of the lack of a TAX BOTHERS MINISTER strong army and the weakness of the German working class movement.

New Struggle Hinted at.

The resolution adopted by the comittee, with 26 dissenting votes, at the same time declares that the Russian people will never be reconciled to the peace terms and will accept them merely in order to gain time in which to gather fresh strength for another

PETROGRAD, March 6 .- To a gathering of workmen's and soldiers' delegates at Moscow on Monday, M. Propathy with the democratic revolution not to deceive themselves.

Ring of Iron Forged.

The new frontiers traced by Germany, M. Prokrovsky declared, constitute a ring of iron around revolutionary Rus-He said the Germans were en- taken the plunge. deavoring to stifle the revolution, the conquests of which were reduced to nothing by the economic demands of Berlin.

The decree nationalizing the banks had fallen into abeyance because the German terms had the effect of converting the banks into German con Military evacuation by Russia of Esthonia, Courland and Livenia gave the enemy full authority in those re-

Blame Passed to Ukraine. M. Zinovieff, president of the Petro-

grad council of workmen's and soldlers' belogutes: M. Sverdloff and others from were obliged to sign the peace agreement as a tactical measure, owing to tion performed on a fractured thigh and the situation brought about by Ukraine pelvis. In agreeing to ignominious peace terms.

LONDON, March L.-The Germana have captured Jamburg, cast of Narva, while the Turco-German offensive is Russian official agency dispatch reprived here today.

This action, adds the statement, is despite the official announcement by the German high command that hostilitles against Russia have ceased.

Germans Evacuate Narva.

A later dispatch sent by Heuter' Petrograd correspondent says the Germans have evacuated Narva, establishing themselves 12 miles west of that

Jamburg is on the railway line from Reval to Petrograd and only 68 miles from the Russian capital. The Germans were reported in yesterday's dispatches. to have halted at Narva, approximately 400 miles from Petrograd. Trebisond is on the Black Sea coast

reported to have reoccupied the Trebithe recent peace treaty was signed.

Bolsheviki Seem Alarmed.

The Bolshevik government has been showing concern over reports that the central powers were continuing on the aggressive against the Russians, de spite the conclusion of peace under the recently signed treaty.

VOLOGDA, Russia, March 6 .- In a public statement to the people of Vologda today on the international situation as it affects Russia, David R Francis, the American Ambassador,

"America has no plans or desires for territorial conquest in Russia. While " the present government has never been formally recognized by my Government or any of the ailies, both Premier Lenine and Foreign Minister Trotzky are aware, because I so advised them, that I had recommended to my Government that it recognize any government the war against the central powers.

The success of Germany would re-(Concluded on Page 2, Column 2)

AS FAST AS BUILT PASTOR RUSSELL

RECORD FOR DECEMBER SHOWS HUN MENACE DECREASES.

Officials Believe That From Now On marines More Effectively.

WASHINGTON, March 7 .- More sub narines were destroyed by the allied and American naval forces in December than Germany was able to build uring that month, according to in

ormation reaching Washington. This fact developed today in discusions of the statement made to Parliament Tuesday by Sir Eric Geddes, first ord of the British Admiralty, that the ubmarines were being checked.

Whether succeeding months have shown a net loss in German subma however, that the anti-submarine cam paign has proved so effective that inreased efforts this Spring will see t steady decrease in the number of Southern Manager of Agency Reg-U-boats available to prey on allied and American shipping.

What officials know of plans for pressing home the attack with increas ing vigor, explains the feeling of optimism that now prevails in official circles despite heavy drains on shipping tonnage through the U-boats. The PETROGRAD, March 7.-The central gradual decline in tonnage losses was executive committee of the soldlers' and graphically pictured to Purliament by

American naval officials apear to b those of "political bandits," has called satisfied that the weapons with which they expect to crush finally the submarine menace are forthcoming. Increased number of patrol vessels of various types, appliances and devices to make them more effective against underwater craft and the increased skill of navy personnel, are among the It has taken time to devise and build

Whether or Not Marriage Fees Are Subject to Income Tax Question.

TACOMA, Wash., March J .- (Spe ial.)-Whether or not marriage fees are subject to income taxation is a question which is bothering Justice John W. Linck, who has "the little church around the corner" for most of the marrying soldiers since Camp Lewis was established.

Some months his fees have run his scome up to more than \$400 despite brovsky. leader of the second peace the fact that his salary is but \$125. delegation at Brest-Litovsk, explained However, the fees, he believes, may be treaty with the central powers, regarded as gifts, as there is no stipu-Deeply moved, he begged those in sym- lated payment for the service per-

> As his office is in the Courthouse he eral authorities. has the edge on the marrying trade. Lately the business has dropped off, marrying frame of mind seem to have ago under the enemy alien act as a cit as the major share of the soldiers in a

THIRD LIFE IS SACRIFICED

Four-Year-Old Girl Dies From Injuries Received at Race.

STOCKTON, Cal., March 7. - Three races held at the local race track last Sunday, when Mrs. Nina Vitagliana Torre, of Los Angeles, drove her high powered car through a fence. Torre was killed outright, her mechanleian died Tuesday night from skull Petrograd addressed the conference fracture, and tonight Jacquelin Mex-They said the Russian representatives gars, 4-year-old daughter of a local hotel-keeper, died following an opera-

The girl was knocked down by the heavy racer as she stood beside her mother watching the races. The two other persons injured are out of all danger, though one, Mrs. G. Risso, will continuing beyond Trebizond, says a go through life with a badly mutilated

GEN. GREENE WANTS BIBLES

Hearty Indorsement Given American Bible Society Work.

TACOMA, Wash., March 7 .- (Special.)

-Major-General H. A. Greene, comnander at Camp Lewis, has issued an ndorsement of the campaign to be waged by the American Bible Society to provide Testaments for the soldiers. "I am heartily in sympathy with the vement to provide each man of the writes General Greene. "It is the only

American forces with a Testament." book which never grows old. Its inof Turkish Armenia. The Turks were spired words furnish instruction and comfort. The story of the God-man zond region in their offensive when who died for love of mankind cannot fall to appeal to men who are freely offering their lives in the sacred cause of liberty and justice. You have my best wishes for success in your ef-

ROOSEVELT RETURNS HOME

Colonel Will Go on Speaking Tour as Soon as He Has Recovered.

OYSTER BAY, N. V., March 7 .- Colonel Theodore Roosevelt returned to his ome on Sagamore Hill here this afteroon after having been for several weeks in New York City, where he underwent operations for ear trouble. Mrs. Roosevelt accompanied him home, The trip from New York to Oyster Bay was made in an automobile

Colonel Roosevelt said he expected to regain his strength completely in a the Russian people might select and short time. He intends to rest during would also earnestly urge that material the next three weeks and then to be in assistance be rendered to such govern- condition to make some of the speeches ment, provided that it would continue which were canceled because of his illness. Few visitors will be permitted to see Colonel Roosevelt during th speriod of convalencence.

WIRELESS FOUND

Bethel Home, crooklyn, Raided by U. S.

AMUSEMENT EXCUSE IS GIVEN

Apparatus Not Sealed as Had Been Ordered.

rines is not known here. It is believed, BURNS DETECTIVE TAKEN

istered as Alien Enemy, Held at New Orleans Pending Investigation.

NEW YORK, March 7 .- A dismantled wireless apparatus which had not been sealed in accordance with orders issued by the Government several months ago was found by officers of the Army Intelligence Bureau, who yesterday made another search of Bethel Home, the headquarters in Brooklyn of the announced today. Through this or-Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society and of the International Bible Students' Association, it was announced today. Both organizations were formerly head- French war widows.

ed by "Pastor" Russell. The apparatus was not seized. The search was made in connection with toric island just off the coast of Britthe Federal investigation of a volume of papers taken in a raid on Bethel Home and the Brooklyn Tabernacie, another Russellite establishment, ten days ago. This examination is being conducted, it is said, to determine whether the records contain seditious

Bussell's Successor Explains. Officers who found the wireless plant

Mooney, pending investigation by Fed-

Secrecy Marks Detention.

izen of Germany. No formal charge

to state the reason for his detention.

loyal remarks or commit disloyal acts

during the war, was passed by the

House today and goes to the Governor.

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said they were met at the door of Bethel Home by a man who said he was Joseph A. Rutherford, successor to "Pastor" Russell as head of the several religious organizations. He told them the apparatus had been wholesale houses. installed for "the amusement" of a imber of young members of the Rus-

Sheetings, shirtings and other matesell sect who live at the home. NEW ORLEANS, La., March 7 .- Albert Bourgeois, Southern manager of the Burns Detective Agency, was held today on orders of Chief of Police

BARGES WILL CARRY OIL

WASHINGTON, March 7 .- Construct was filed and the authorities declined tion of a fleet of barges to carry oil from the Mexican fields to gulf ports is AUSTIN, Tex., March 7.-The loyalty under consideration by the shipping

bill, making it a felony to make dis- board. So many tank steamers have been taken out of the gulf trade for trans-Atlantic use that substitutes must be ower house of the Kentucky General cause of quick construction. Ten 000 a year, depending on business

EVERY HAMLET IN NATION TO ASSIST t TO BE BROUGHT HOME TO

Community Council for Aid and Support of Conflict to Be Organized Throughout Country.

PEOPLE EVERYWHERE.

WASHINGTON, March 7 .- To elimi nate lost motion throughout the country and to bring the war home to the cople through personal contact, the Council of National Defense has worked out plans for organizing community ouncils in every hamlet in the United

States. In making this announcement today Director Gifford said state councils which already have created subsidiary cuncils in practically all counties, innumerable towns, townships and smaller communities, will create in each chool district or other unit as may best be decided by local conditions, a ommunity council whose membership s expected to reach practically every

WANTED: 50 'GODPARENTS' Photographs Received in United

States of French War Orphans.

NEW YORK, March 7 .- Photographs of 50 French "war orphans" in immediate feed of as many American "godparents," who will contribute \$2 or nore monthly toward their support. have been received at the headquarters here of Le Paquet du Soldat, it was ganization, aid toward the support of extended a considerable number of

Most of the children are of Breton parentage and live on Belle Isle, a his-

BUYERS OPERATE QUIETLY

Minneapolis Reports Heavy Dry Goods Movement Eastward.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 7 - Buyers from half a dozen large cities of the created for the eastern, western and East have been in Minneapolis for about two weeks quietly purchasing In his capacity as director of finance all the dry goods they could obtain, for the railroad administration, Mr. according to reports today, which were Williams also will be assisted by an circumstantially confirmed by large

rials in many instances will be shipped back to the very cities in which the were manufactured at large advances

months is required to build a tanker.

SAVED EVERY YEAR

Economical Buying for Railroads Planned.

OVER BILLION TO BE SPENT

Partial Centralization Aim of Administration.

EXPERTS WILL CO-OPERATE

John Skelton Williams, Head of New Board of Finance and Purchasing, Will Have Assistance of Advisory Committee.

tween \$1,000,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000 worth of railroad supplies and equipment this year, under Government supervision, is involved in a plan for or-McAdoo.

Railroad Administration officials be lieve that eventually they can save more than a hundred million dollars a year by centralizing purchasing, alprocess of organizing a nationwide buying system

Williams to Be in Charge. John Skelton Williams, as head of

this new division, will be assisted by a central advisory committee of three expert railway purchasing agents, and southern operating divisions.

other advisory committee of railroad financial experts, one from the north one from the west and one from the south.

Experts to Get No Pay.

These men will serve without pay and will help "in the work of investigating of the unleavened bread prescribed for requirements of the rallroads, whether these needs relate to the requirements by demanding exorbitant taking up and renewing of maturing prices. Resales within the trade were to Mr. Main's office with Mr. Lloyd at about 5:05 and found Mr. Main there Substitutes to Be Built for Tankers obligations and the issuance of new securities or providing for betterments and additions.

Mr. Williams and his advisors will senting the gross earnings from opera- vailing. In some places 22 cents tions in a year.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 7.-The barges probably would be chosen be- been between \$250,000,000 and \$750,000,-

\$100,000,000 TO BE AURORA BOREALIS VISIBLE OVER U. S.

BRILLIANT DISPLAY SEEN FROM ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC.

Memphis, Tenn., Also Witnesses in Southern States.

MARYHILL, Wash., March 7 .- (Special.)-For several hours tonight an aurora was visible in the north and northeastern heavens. The shooting pires of light known in Alaska and Arctic regions were not present, but vast expanse of light extending ove an arc of 30 degrees on north northeast orizon flashed over the heavens, comcosed of all colors Pasco reported that the display was

ery beautiful there.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Brilliant ights in the sky over the capital to ight brought a large part of the population into the streets to observe what was thought to be a big fire. It was the aurora borealis, and officials of the naval observatory said the display was Friendship Existed Between Fred he best they ever had seen in this Intitude.

BOSTON, March 7 .- An aurora bere alis of brilliant red was visible through out the New England state tonight for a period of about three hours. At the Harvard observatory it was said that WASHINGTON, March 7. - Partial the color resulted from peculiar eleccentralization of the purchasing of be- trical conditions in the upper strata of the atmosphere.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 7 .- For more than two hours tonight the aurora bore- | Swayne, merchant at Napavine, Janualis illuminated the Northern skies, ganizing the Railroad Administration's making one of the most brilliant disdivision of finance and purchases an- plays of the Northern Lights ever wit fatherless children already has been nounced today by Director-General nessed here. The appearance of the phenomenon is very rare in the South. NEW YORK, March 7.-The aurora

orealis was observed by thousands of persons here tonight. The phenomenor though no definite predictions are made was visible from 8 o'clock until 11 Main before and after the crime were for this year owing to the necessarily o'clock, when apparently it reached its maximum of brilliancy. The long streamers from the arch were well tinted, a vivid red predominating, Telegraph and telephone communi

cation north and east of New York suffered considerable interruption by reason of the phenomenon

PRICE OF MATZOTH FIXED Food Administration Says Retailers

May Charge 13 to 14 Cents. WASHINGTON, March 7 .- A maxi-

num retail price of 13 to 14 cents a pound for matzoth was set today by the Food Administration after an investigation of complaints that makers the Jewish passover festival were ap pearing to take advantage of the ritual

legally produc the cost of transportation may be add- ing. He said Main was not in the least ed to the retail price, which was said nervous. Main's office is about 800 administer in a general way the dis- to be a slight increase over last year, feet from the Swayne store. position of about \$4,000,000,000 repre- but much lower than those now prepound has been asked for the bread.

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ishermen and cannerymen at war ever price to be paid for 1918 Chinook salmon, says Dr. Walter P. Hall. Page 4.

ALIBI FOR MAIN

Accused Man's Actions Are Accounted For.

STATE'S CASE IS FRACTURED

Witnesses Testify Defendant Acted Normally.

END OF TRIAL IN SIGHT

Swayne and Man on Trial for His Murder, Witnesses Declare Repeatedly.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 7 .- (Special.)-Witnesses for Oscar Main, Napavine business man on trial here for the murder of his closest friend, Fred ary 6, today spun a complete and convincing allbi for Mr. Main.

Not only were Mr. Main's activities sketched continuously during the half hour in which the crime was shown by the state's contentions as to the motive for the crime were completely knocked out and the actions of Mr shown to have been without the least sign of nervousness, excitement or anything out of the ordinary.

Defendant's Character Lauded.

Charactef witnesses, including A. H. din, Seattle's Prosecuting Attorney; Superior Judge Frater, of King County; H. M. Caldwell, Corporation Counsel, of seattle; Dr. W. A. Major, a Presbyerian minister, of Seattle, and others, all told of the excellent reputation Mr. Main always has had.

The state, in presenting its case, fixed by C. P. Lloyd the time of the rime, Mr. Lloyd having passed swayne's store, where the murder ocurred, at 5 o'clock and having seen a ight and having again pussed there at :26 o'clock without seeing a light. He aid he also saw Main in his (Main's) office between 5 and 5:10 o'clock,

No Nervousness Noticeable. W. P. Jones, a farmer living near Napavine, testified today that he went

Walter Mason testified that he was n a pool hall next door to Main's ofice and that Main came in there a little after 5 o'clock and remained several minutes, leaving just before a passenger train pulled into the Napaine station near the office at 5:20

clock. Miller Ashton, who conducts the pool hall, told of having entered the hall through a back door as Main was leaving through the front door a few sec-

onds before 5:20. Accused Found at Office.

Mrs. W. W. Emery, wife of a Napaine millman, testified that she arrived in Napavine on this 5:20 train and went directly to Main's office and found him there. She said Main was not at all nervous and disturbed, but aided her "with his usual politeness" in trying to get a telephone number. She said she left there and went toward the Swayne store and stopped at a bank to telephone again. She said she then started

down the road. The state had shown by witnesses that the murder had been committed by 5:30 o'clock. Mrs. Main testified that her husband arrived for supper at a little before 5:30 o'clock, that being the customary supper time arranged so Mr. Main could be in his office each day until the 5:20 train had gone through.

Testimony of Hodge Assailed. An elaborate plan was presented by the defense to disprove the testimony of Robert Hodge to the effect that he had (Concluded on Page 7, Column 2)

....... WHAT PRUSSIANISM MEANS. The actions of the German armies in Belgium, in Poland and

in Northern France have blotted the record of humanity. This policy of Prussianismthis deliberately adopted "frightfulness"-with its aftermath of blood and tears, is one of the

great wrongs against which America fights today. The evidence in the case is set forth in an official book just published by the United States

Government. A copy of this book will be sent free to any reader of The

Oregonian. It is based on the reports of American diplomats and relief workers, on the protests of high church authorities, on official German proclamations, on the field diaries of German soldiers.

To secure a copy of this free book, send your name and address with a 2-cent stamp for return postage to The Portland Oregonian Information Bureau, Frederic J. Haskin, Director, Washington, D. C. Ask for "German War Practices."

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Previous Outlays Smaller.

In the past, requirements for new capital to purchase equipment and found, and it was said today that make betterments and additions, have

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THERE'S A SILVER LINING TO EVERY CLOUD.











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