ALLEGED BOGUS LAND FILINGS TO BE AIRED

Date Set for Trial of Puter. Cook and Others.

Approximately \$2,000,000 Cleaned SITUATION IN COUNTRY CHA. State Statutes, Permitting Small Up by Operators in Oregon, According to Indictment.

SAN PRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—The trial of 10 men charged in the United States District Court with an attempt to defraust columnsts in the sale of lands along the Southern Pacific and Oregon Short Line railroads was set today to begin June 3. It will take at least four weeks to complete the trial, according to Annette A. Adams, United States District Attorney, who will have

charge of the trial.

The defendants in the case, known as the Oregon land fraud case, are Norman D. Cook and Franklin P. Bull, San Francisco attorneys; S. A. D. Puter, of Portland, Or.; J. L. Van Warmer, of Fresno, Cal; A. L. Baker, of Kerman, Cal., and others.

An investigation into the alleged frauds began in 1913.

Land Fillings Urged, Charge. The Government in the indictments alleged fraud, in inducing persons to file on alterhate sections along the railroads from the Southern Oregon line to Eugene, Or.

During the time the frauds were alleged to have taken place the land in question was under litigation, the Goverament having sought to have the title revert to the Government, claim-ing that the Southern Pacific Railroad failed to live up to the conditions in the grants. The Supreme Court of the United States referred the matter to Congress and in 1916 Congress passed an act providing that the lands be sold

is accordance with their true value Prior to the Congressional act, 21,000 applications for land, virtually all of them obtained by the alleged action of the defendants, according to the in-dictments, had been filed. The indictments alleged the defendants repre sented to applicants that a preference right to purchase could be secured by filing an application.

Former Offenders Convicted. Former trials on similar indictments resulted in the conviction of nine men who were implicated in the alleged

The indictment against Puter and blo associates was returned July 25, 1916. It charged the defendants with having represented that the Government was co-operating with them and that i was the Government's purpose to force the railroad companies to sell the land to the applicants. It also charged that the defendants duplicated the applicaplications over and over upon identical

tracts of land.
A charge in the indictment alleges that the defendants procured from the applicants contracts by the terms of which the applicants agreed they would deed half of the lands to the defendants when the title should be secured. The indictment contains the allegation that of the many people secured by the defendants as applicants

not one was an actual settler upon the land and that none of the applicants ever intended to cettle upon the land. It is also charged that the mails of he United States were used in the writing and mailing of many letters to carry out the alleged scheme to de-

the trial of the case against Norman D. Cook, in which there was a disagreement by the jury, the average filing fee charged by the locaters amounted to approximately \$100 each and the defendants obtained approxi-

SUMPTER VALLEY CASE UP

U. S. Traffic Director Mects Oregon

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-ngton, Jan. 13. - Two proposals for set-



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ling the strike of railroad men esuming operation of the Sumpter Val-ey Railway were submitted to Edward hambers, traffic director for the Raiload Administration, at a conference oday attended by Charles T. Early, of ortland; W. E. Meacham, secretary of he Baker Chamber of Comerce; Joseph L. Teal, of Portland; Senator McNary

and Representative Sinnott.
First, the Raliroad Administration
was asked to take over the line and operate it like other roads now under Government control. As an alternative, a greater proportion of the joint through rate was asked as a means of riping out the road's monthly defici-

MANY DEFRAUDED, CHARGE POLISH POLITICS MUDDLED

OTIC AS REDS APPROACH.

Bolshevist Troops Move Toward Warsaw From Vilna and Ontlook Is Far From Encouraging.

WARSAW, Jan. 10 .- (By the Asso cinted Press.)—With Bolshevist forces of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes even intended for only 165 miles away, the political muddle continues here.

Justice McReynolds, in a dissenting only 100 miles away, the political mud-

dle continues here, General Pilsudski, the political military dictator, apparently is hesitating to accept proposals of Ignace Jan Paderewski. He is reported to be adhering to his contention that the present government of Poland must remain in power until after the elec-

British and American missions have made it plain they will do nothing to help Poland un'tss a stable governnent is formed,

Vilna and are said to have been given ment of provisions of legislation embod rolling stock by Germans. Their ad- led in the Wilson and Webb-Kenyor vance, therefore, is expected to be more laws, we have no question that Congress rapid than it was before Vilna was capenacted this statute because of its be-

General Falkenhayn's 10th German army is reported to be concentrating at Bialystek for demobilization. Grodno will be evacuated by the Germans on

January 15, it is said, Polish forces are six miles north of

NATIONS PLAN DESIRED.

Death of ex-Kaiser, Confiscation of Personal Fortune Advocated by Montana Member.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 .- Speeches advocating postponement of considera-tion of the league of nations proposal until after the peace conference were made in the Senate today by Senators Sterling, of South Dakota, Republican, and Myers, of Montana, Democrat. Both nsisted that problems of the peace conference should not be complicated by this plan.

with the central powers barred at least

for this generation.

Death for the former Kaiser, life imprisonment for Von Hernstorff and others. Senators Myers said, should be and the defendants obtained approximately \$2,000,000 from the applicants.
At the office of the Federal District
Attorney it was said that the trial of
Cook and Bull, who were indicted separately from Puter and his associates,
will not begin until after the trial of
Puter.

SIMPTER VALLEY CASE IIP

league of nations tomorrow, while Senator Thomas, of Colorado, intends to discuss the American expedition to Rus-

TAKEN ON BORDER.

Seven Mexicans and Mexican-Americans Charged With Sending Munitions South.

TUCSON, Ariz. Jan. 11.—Seven prom-cent Mexican and Mexican-American esidents of Tucson and Douglas were rrested here today by Federal authorities, charged with smuggling arms into (Mexico in connection with a new revolutionary movement. Charges against them were presented at once to the Federal grand jury.

The men arrested are Mike Wehby, a Tucson merchant; R. R. Flores, G. C. Wasquez, Rossario Lopez, Major Fred-

Vasquez, Rosario Lopez, Major Fred-erico Piatt, formerly president of Cananea, Mexico; Ignacio Monge, of Douglas, and a man giving the name of Angeles Felix.

The arms seized, it is charged, were

on their way to General Juan Cabral, a Mexican revolutionary leader. An automobile loaded with 1400 rounds of aminunition and rifles was seized last t.ght by Federal agents (THE SIGN OF PERFECT 3) south of here.

For some time there have been rumors of a recrudesence of the Felix Diaz movement in Northern Mexico, and

GERMAN STEAMERS SEIZED (G Complete lens grinding)

COBLENZ, Jan. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Two German river steamers to be used for excursions up and down the Rhine by officers and men of the Third Army, arrived at Coblenz today. The trips are to be part of the previous for the forms to the present of the of the recreation programme for the Army of occupation. Four additional sleamers have been requisitioned for

the same purpose.

The excursions will include trips beyond Cologne down the river and beyond Mayence up the stream. Excursions will be one-day affairs and the excursionists will not be allowed to

Colds Cause Grip and Influenza LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets re. February. Big reductions on all Winter move the cause. There is only one "Brome garments. Cherry's—389-91 Washington of the later than the cause of Pittock block—Adv.

Transportation of Liquor for Personal Use Illegal.

DISSENTING OPINION GIVEN

Quantities to Be Shipped, Are Nullified.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The Su-preme Court held today that the Reed "bone dry" prohibition amendment pro-hibits interstate transportation into

opinion, concurred in by Justice Clark, declared the Reed amendment was not an interstate commerce regulatory measure, but a direct intermeddling with a state's affairs and beyond Federal power. As interpreted by the court, the lay

nullifies state statutes permitting limited amounts of liquor to be brought in for personal use. Justice Day Gives Opinion.

In rendering the majority opinion Bolshevist troops, moving toward
Warsaw from Vilna, have occupied
Lida. They secured 17 locomotives in
Vilna and are said to have been given ment of provisions of legislation embodenacted this statute because of its be-lief in states prohibiting the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors for to the introduction of intoxicants by many, were carefully prearranged.
means of interstate commerce, except His information is that while many for the limited purposes permitted in of the soldiers' councils in Berlin were

Conferences between Germans and Ukrainians are said to be going on at Kiev regarding the sale of the Germans' equipment. It is reported many Germans are arranging to take up Ukrainian citizenship.

Polish forces are fighting under great difficulties. Officers say that Poland is in great danger and that if own which in this instance it has ex-erted in accordance with its view of

JUNAIL UIJUUJILJ PLAGUE OF When Congress exerts its authority in a manner within its control, state laws must give way in view of the regulation of the subject matter by the superior power conferred by the Constitution."

When Congress exerts its authority mobilized are revolutionaries and are now adherents either of the Spartnous League or of the Independent Socialists.

So what remains of the German army is largely a Bod of the German army When Congress exerts its authority

Judge McReynolds Dissents.

Justice McReynolds sald in dissent: The Reed amendment in no proper ense regulates interstate commerce, ut is a direct intermeddling with the state's internal affairs. Whether regarded as reward or punishment for wisdom or folly in enacting limited prohibition, the amendment so construed, I think, goes beyond Federal ganization of the Berlin coupposer; and to hold otherwise opens possibilities for partial and sectional legislation which may destroy proper control of their own affairs by the several states. If Congress may deny liquor to those who live in a state simply because its manufacture is not permitted there, why may not this be done for any suggested reason, namely, because the reads are bad on menoral to the control of their own affairs by the New York World. by this plan.

Senator Sterling contended that existing relations between America. Great Britain, France and Italy made a league to enforce peace unnecessary. Senstor Myers advocated establishing a restricted league later, without impairing the sovereignty of ita members and sale of intoxicants."

done for any suggested reason, namely, because the roads are bad, or men are hanged for murder, or coals are dug. "LONDON, Jan. 13.—(Special Cable.)—In the preliminary conferences between President Wilson and the heads of the allied countries it is expected that the has assumed to prevent manufacture or sale of intoxicants." sale of intoxicants."

PEACE PACT.

Pressure Brings Denial From Leaders That More Men Will Be Sent to Russian Territory.

BY JOSEPH W. GRIGG. Staff Correspondent of the World. Copyright, 1919, by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.)

LONDON, Jan. 11 .- (Special Cable.) ALLEGED REVOLUTION MAKERS large bodies of British soldiers in this country, which took place in London and were joined in the north by some auxiliary units of the fleet, will be to occelerate action by the peace con-

Their grievances have an international as well as a domestic signifi-cance, for it is known that all the al-lied soldiers want an early conclusion of peace and a "safety army" of defi-nitely prescribed limits—and those



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limits strictly on a basis of necessity-to occupy enemy territory until peace is concluded.

Already it has had the immediate re sult of bringing out the reassuring denial in the press, from inspired sources, that any more men are destined for Russia, and of emphasizing that the men now there (estimated at 20,000) will be withdrawn as soon as the volunteer army can take their places, and that this will be only to protect Rusthat this will be only to protect Rus

sians who have gained the enmity of the Bolsheviki. From important quarters I was informed today that President Wilson is against any further military interven-tion in Russia, as recently told in my dispatch to the World. Men who marched through the streets today said they were against

any "capitalist war."

It is now believed that Premier Lloyd George, accompanied by his Ministers and secretarial staff, will leave for Paris Saturday, though it would not be surprising if the demonstrations delay his departure should they continue. A cordon of police permitted only persons with business to enter Downing street today, for the Premier, im-mersed in the demobilization, had no time to see delegations. His first crisis finds the Premier shorn of his Cabinet. It is still not an-nounced who will be associated with him in the new government.

BOLSHEVIK PLANS DECLARED CAREFULLY PREPARED.

Support Said to Have Been Given to Government Only Until Revolutionary Forces Arrive.

(Copyright, 1919, by the New York World, Published by Arrangement.) LONDON, Jan. 13 .- (Special Cable.)-New light is thrown on the situation in Berlin in a dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from its Rotterdam correspondent, who says he hears that the reigning confusion in the capital and beverage purposes. The facilities of plans for a Bolshevik coup, not only in interstate commerce should be denied Berlin, but also in other parts of Ger-

Lemberg, where their advance seems to have been checked.

Conferences between Germans and Introduction of linear for a revolutionary and introduction of linear for a revolutionary the same time preparing for a revolutionary time preparing for a revolution t with liquor when used as a beverage. government, they were at the same "That the state saw fit to permit the time preparing for a revolutionary introduction of liquor for personal use movement, to be put in motion when-

Polish forces are fighting unter tained in this act great difficulties. Officers say that authority as in the Wilson and Webb- This operation was so conquered authority as in the Wilson and Webb- This operation was so conquered authority as in the Wilson and Webb- This operation was so conquered authority as in the Wilson and Webb- This operation was so conquered to provide the same of the state, but it has a power of its left the colors consisted exclusively of the state, but it has a power of its left the colors consisted exclusively of the state, but it has a power of its left the colors consisted exclusively of the state, but it has a power of its left the colors consisted exclusively of the state, but it has a power of its left the colors consisted exclusively of the state. extent by the revolutionary spirit, while most of those not yet de-mobilized are revolutionaries and are

is largely a Red army. The maneuver had special success in Brunswick, where the Soldiers' Council is wholly Spartacus in composition. It holds the reins of power, and has declared its intention to ignore the National As-

"I have reason to believe," the cor respondent adds, "that this Machinvellian scheme was worked in the or-

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The World correspondent was in-formed tonight that informal discus-sions on this subject are already under way in Paris, but that until the first conference is convened no new policy will be formulated. ALLIED SOLDIERS WANT EARLY | During the last three weeks much information has been gathered by the Américan and ailted nations on internal conditions in Germany, and this prob-ably will have a prompt effect on the

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