AIRMEN HELD FOR RANSOM IN MEXICO

Bandits Demand \$15,000 for Release of Men.

PAYMENT TODAY IS REQUIRED

Forward Money.

DEATH HELD ALTERNATIVE

Message From Lieutenants Paul Davis and Harold G. Peterson Announce Capture Near Border.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 17.-In an ofstatement issued at military headquarters tonight and signed by Brigadier-General James B. Erwin, disaero unit at Fort Bliss had received t message from Lieutenants Paul H. Davis and Harold G. Peterson, saying they had been captured by Mexicans many and were being held for \$15,000 ransom, which must be paid by August 15, according to the message.

Arrangements were being made here today to obtain \$15,000 gold coin and to send it to Marfa early tomorrow for the payment of the ransom, as it is feared the men will be killed by the bandits unless the ransom is paid be fore tomorrow night.

Men Missing Nearly Week.

Lleutenant Peterson, the pilot of the hiplane which has been missing since last Bunday, is 25 years old and is from

Name of Place Withheld.

"This message was brought into a town in the Big Bend district by a well-known bandit. Colonel George T. Langborne, commanding officer of the eighth cavalry in the Big Bend district, wired the commanding general of the El Paso district that the message is authentic and that he is taking all necessary measures to secure the release of aviators and has presented this matter to the proper authorities. The name of the place from which the messuge was sent, as well as the place given, as it might interfere with the release of the aviators."

Aviators Peterson and Davis are a part of the personnel of the Fort fills aviation corps, but were on detached duty with the Big Bend district miliheadquarters at Marfa, Texas, at the time they disappeared. They left usual patrol of the border, planning to follow the north bank of the Rio Sailors Surprise Families by Unex-Grande, to the end of the district.

Porced Lunding Possible. Perced Landing Possible.

It is believed by aviation officers here that they confused the Conchos river, which flows into the Rio Grande near Presidio, Texas, with the Rio Grande and followed the course of this river after a term of over two years sea into the interior of Mexico. Another theory advanced by fellow aviators is that they were forced to land, either on the American or Mexican side of the border in the wild country of the Big Bend district and were made prisoners by the Mexican bandits, who make marauding trips across the border at frequent intervals in search of make and other proporty which they cattle and other property which they carry off to Mexico.

When it became known at Fort Bliss tonight that the aviators were reported held by Mexican bandits, there was much discussion among army offipers of the possibility of American troops crossing the border in search of the bandits who were holding the o'clock today on board the cruiser aviators prisoners. This was discredit- Dragon from St. John, N. B. ed by higher officers for two reasons. The principal one advanced was that battleship Renown, upon which he the aviators would be killed if an ex-The other reason was that prince's visit to that city. orders for expeditions to cross the border in the Big Bend district apply only in the pursuit of bandits who have AUTOISTS TO SAVE TREES stolen property on the American side, and then only to follow a "hot trail."

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 17.-Replies to messages sent to their relatives by SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—A de-Lieutsmants Paul H. Davis and Harold partment of forestry has been formed by the California State Automobile ag-(1. Peterson, American aviators reported held for ranson in Mexico, were seeking the conservation of the natural received at Marfa, Texas, late tonight.
The messages from the aviators were announced loday.
The department has offered its servfor the \$15,000 ransom for the release of the aviators was brought to the bor-An effort was being made to get the replies to the aviators in the bandit rendervous in Mexico.

Reinfives Are Informed.

to their relatives at Strathmore Minn, as soon as received at Marfa.

Texas. The text of the messages was not given out, but it was understood that the aviators requested their rela
(Consoluted on Page 3, Column 1.)

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Touched by the "appeal" of J. Ogden Armour for wearing apparel, Bernard Gruenstein of this city tonight announced that ne had sent the millionaire packer a pair of socks. and Berkeley, Cal., and Hutchinson,

U. S. RATIFICATION IS VITAL TO GERMANY

DELAY IN FREEING PRISONERS UNDERMINES DEMOCRACY.

Radical Speakers Whip Meetings to Frantic Pitch by Protests of Further Detention.

BY CYRIL BROWN. (Copyright, 1919, by the New York World, Published by Arrangement.) BERLIN, Aug. 17.—(Special Cable.)—

Official and political circles are eager-ly watching the United States senate's peace deliberations. The present govpeedlest possible ratification by Amer-Arrangements Being Made to ics, as every day's delay helps to undermine the young and none too strong republic and strengthen the reaction-

This is because non-ratification by America is blocking the return of German prisoners, according to the popular German view, and their long-expected EAST FRIENDLY TO ALLIES but long-delayed return is fast become ing a burning and possibly explosive be held in various parts of Germany Terms of Alleged Agreement as Reprotesting against the further detention of their prisoners and ioudly clamoring for the government to get them home.

The most recent of these mass meet ings were marked by sensational scenes, radical speakers whipping their udlences to a frantic and emotional plich, with women weeping, shricking

and going into hysterics.

The government's strongest popular trict commander, it was announced that argument for the signing of peace was Major L. A. Walter, commander of the to get the prisoners home quickly, and it is now taunted by the reactionary nationalistic opposition with its failure to do so despite the signing and the rushing of ratification by Ger-

> The independent socialists profess to see a plot for a military alliance between Prusslan and Russian reaction and say such German recruits for service in Russia are promised a 5000 mark bonus when the fighting is

ENGINEERING TANGLE ENDS

Official Opinion Issued as to Granting Certificates.

Hutchinson, Minn. Lieutenant Davis is 23 years old and is from Strathmore, Cal., but has relatives in Berkeley, Cal. The full text of the statement issued at military headquarters today by General Erwin reads as follows:

"A telegram was received this afternoon by Major L. A. Walton, commander of the aero unit at Forr Blies, repeating a message signed by the two avistors who have been missing since last Sunday, stating they had been captured by Maxicans and were being held for \$15,000 ransom, which must be paid by August 18, or they would be killed.

Same of Pince Withheld. SALEM, Or., Aug. 17 .- (Special.)-

HOT SUN BLISTERS APPLES

River Orchards

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 17 .- (Specal.)-Although the temperature lacked many's enemies by America, and the six degrees of reaching the July record madness of the militarists, which sufof 101, ne wind prevailed yesterday and fered the delusion that without war the thus far, and today counsel for the two, a blistering sun, according to orchard-conflicting interests of the great na- J. F. Campbell and John E. Bunker, a blistering sun, according to orchard-ists today, burned apples in many sec-tions could not be disentangled, led to officials of a sugar brokerage concern, tions of the valley. The bank of smoke the following chain of thought: hanging over the mid-Columbia held the heat and added humidity and last night was the warmest here for the

and relieving growers from fear of further damage.

Marfa last Sunday morning for the BROWNSVILLE GOBS BACK

pected Return From Service.

PRINCE REACHES HALIFAX

Royal Visitor Reboards Cruiser

Dragon After Half-Hour Stop. HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 17 .- The Prince of Wales arrived here at 1:30

Half an hour later he returned to the crossed the Atlantic and which came pedition crossed in pursuit of the here from St. Johns, Nfd., after the

California Motor Folk Unite to Proteet Tourist Lures.

ices in the campaign to save the red-woods of Humboldt county and to pre-serve the missions of the state.

SOCKS GIVEN MR. ARMOUR

The messages from the aviators were St. Louis Man Touched by Millionaire's "Appeal" for Apparel.

"Mad" Alliance Against America Scouted.

JAPAN'S HONOR IS AT STAKE

Venture Would React for Annihilation, Says Harden.

ported From Bolshevik Arsenal Show No Military Trend.

BY MAXIMILIAN HARDEN. Copyright by the New York World. Pub-lished by arrangement.) BERLIN. Aug., 15.—(Special Cable.) -When Japan demanded Tsingtali a ery of raging indignation went through Germany. Never had the slient men hinted that German possession of Eastern Asiatic soil was vexatious to them. Now they hav used the hour of Germany's greatest need to place brusquely on record an assertion of rights which belonged not to them but to China, which they seem to regard as their ward.

Kiaochou had cost us a tall heap of millions, which were lost with the acquiescence of the allies in this assertion. Since, however, Japan had never previously entertained the thought of this acquisition-even as France had hoped never to let itself to the war except to the extent that self-interest dictated-the fire of rage here soon disappeared in smoke, for there are other grievances more urgent, which are voiced in reproaches of disloyalty and breaches of alliance against Italy and Roumania.

Reproaches Without Reason. ason, for these countries were neither pleaged to participate in a war declared by Germany, nor were they prevented y any agreement from throwing the weight of their arms into the scale

Japan really had obligations to German teachers and to the German attitude which favored them in their war against Russia, It seems the of ingratitude that they should fall upon Germany with a brusque ultima-Yet they quickly have received German condonation.

"They will need us yet, and we will Some Damage Done in Various Hood need them," one hears everywhere. The quite unjustifiable rage, as I, a preacher n the wilderness, said hundreds of

ORY BEGINS IN OREGONIAN OF SEPTEMBER 7.

Ludendorff's story of the world war, from the viewpoint of Ger-many's leading general and stratigist, is a revelapsychology, and has been declared to be the most re-markable narra-

markable narration ever given to the public by one of the principal actors in the drama that rocked the globe and tumbled thrones. It is the history of Germany's side in the war, told by one most closely in touch with the events of that period in the central powers—a chronicle for which the world has waited since the gage of battle was hurled by the Hun in 1914.

Whatever views one may hold of Germany defeated, of the men who dictated her policies and directed her campaigns, the fact remains beyond dispute that Ludendorff towered above his Prussian fellows in the strife for world descriptor, and that note is

dendorif towered above his Prus-sian fellows in the strife for world dominion, and that none is better fitted to analyze and re-cord the circumstances which led to the struggle, the bitter cam-paigns that ended in inglorious defeat, and the inwardness of the German spirit as Germans inter-

pret it.

This remarkable narration, without parallel in the history of the press, will be presented to the readers of The Oregonian in serial form, beginning Septem-

CHINESE AVIATOR KILLED

Licensed Flier Accompanying Student Is Seriously Injured.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.-Chin Hoy, a Chinese student, was killed inhere from the east, was injured seriously late today at Redwood City, 30 miles southwest of San Francisco, when feeling that their constitutions demand an airplane in which they were flying crashed into the earth from an approximate height of 2000 feet.

According to Chang he had taken Hoy on an instruction flight, the latter sitting in the front seat of the plane, while Chang occupied the rear seat. Chang said Hoy apparently had attempted to experiment with the controls in the front seat. Chang called instructions to Hoy, but the roar of the New Jersey, Indiana, Missouri, Kenmotor drowned his voice.

Within a few feet of the ground

GRAFT SUSPECTS LISTED

13 Alleged Profiteers and Hoarders Slated for Arrest in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17 .- Assistants of the federal district attorney were engaged in the wilderness, said hundreds of today in preparing evidence against times, over the supply of arms to Ger- alleged profiteers and hoarders, 13 of whom have been listed for arrest. the following chain of thought:

Japan will not wait until the United

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Mith profiteering.

Change.

Republicans today found significance

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DEMOGRATS MAKE TREATY OVERTURE

Quick Ratification by Senate Is Indicated.

tions Admitted.

Subserviency to President Resented by Own Party; Get-Together With McNary Group Promised.

The democratic senators say that they are not willing to go any furth r with the president's demand that there shall Chinese aviator, who recently arrived be no compromise. They are willing, they say, to accept any reasonable rea ervations, and they admit frankly some clearer assertions of American

The utter subserviency of the ma ority of democratic senators to Presicratic party on the rocks, it is pri-

Chang was successful partly in pug.

The formation of two new pug.

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The formation of two new pug.

Texas, both of them making an issue of President Wilson's principal policies,

President Wilson's principal policies, party

Only two warrants have been issued exacted from Mr. Wilson during the Chicago Police Use Clubs and Fists would do some cleaning up in Mexico soon if Carranza's attitude did not change.

WILSON'S EDICT IS IGNORED

PROTESTS CAUSE CHANGE

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington. Aug. 17 .- The league of nations contest is regarded as in the last phas of the fighting. It is learned today on good authority that there is about to be a get-together of republican reservationists and democrats in spite of the Wilson edict that there shall be no

The McNary group, as the reserva tionists have come to be designated, it is ascertained, has received overtures from democratic senators which prob ably mean a hasty settlement of the question of the treaty ratification.

Protests Cause Alarm

New worry is afforded democratic leaders in Washington by the

Mexican Situation Viewed. to force the hand of this government, because it has been hinted here that the two or three foreign governments

Need of Reasonable Reserva-

dent Wilson has almost put the demvately admitted by a few. Alarm i shown at the protests coming from democratic sources in Massachusetts fucky and a half-dozen other states demanding that the democrats stand

news today that the Carranza government has expelled William Cummings, British agent, from that country. This action of Carranza is expected

conferences in Paris a promise that he

THIRD BODY EXHUMED AT MA-PLE HILL, KANSAS Teeth Lead to Identification of On

Corpse; Liveryman May Be Held as Slayer.

MAPLE HILL Kan., Aug. 17 -- A third skeleton was dug up here today by the state officials investigating the nysterious disappearance of four me here during the last eight years.

The skeleton was found within 50 feet of the one dug up last week near a livery barn, it was announced b Maurice McNeill, state attorney, who is in charge of the investigation.

Dawson Woody identified the skele-

ton by fillings in the teeth as that of The skeleton was found buried under

ix inches of soil in the yard of a livery barn formerly operated by Rufus King. who is held in jail at Topeka on charge of first degree murder in con nection with the disappearance of Reuben Gutshall here five years ago. A skeleton believed to be that of Gutshall was found recently in a shed on a property formerly owned by King, who was arrested at Pueblo, Cole It was stated tonight by Mr. McNeil

PRESS LIKES PERSIAN PACT

complaint tomorrow charging King

that Dawson Woody would swear to

with the murder of his sor

Great Britain Hails Treaty as Necessity to Safeguard India. .

LONDON, Aug. 17.-Nearly the enire press of England welcomes the ployes. The day passed without any treaty signed between Great Britain and Persia as good for Persia and necessary to safeguard India. A few liberal lewspapers criticise it

The Daily News says that the treaty while guaranteeing Persia's independ-ence, does not leave her a free hand. It declares the guarantee is superfluous, because it is already provided by the league of nations.

PARIS, Aug. 17 .- The Persian mission the treaty recently signed between Great Britain and Persia, all negotiations having taken place in Teheran. The only news received by the Persian mission is a simple notice by telegram

that an accord has been reached. I.W.W. SPEAKERS KIDNAPED

Colorado Citizens Handle Agitators Ready for Mass Meeting.

WALSENBURG, Colo., Aug. 17.—Citins of Walsenburg today kidnaped three I. W. W. agitators scheduled to speak at a mass meeting here today and the whereabouts of the agitators, one of whom is a woman, are unknow to the sheriff's office.

One I. W. W. organizer, John Shank, York. was arrested by the sheriff's officers for carrying concealed weapons.

STRIKE RIOTERS DISPERSED

on Lunch-Room Workers.

breaks in which a few shots were fired or Hylan's charge that the strike was and fist fights were prominent occurred the result of collusion between offitonight in connection with a strike clais of the Interborough and the broth-

oted by lunch-room employes. lowntown district where the police were called and used clubs and fists to tonight that he had received several redisperse the gatherings.

Bolshevik Force Is Routed by Gen- feit until late in the day, there being eral Simon Petlura.

WARSAW, Aug. 17 .- (By the Assohaving withdrawn his troops from the home to the public. Taxicabs and all Polish front, has attacked the bolshe-

of Zwerinka. Details of the engagement are lack-

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Police Prepare for Trouble, But None Develops.

MILLIONS TO BE AFFECTED

Authorities Already Endeavoring to Provide Emergency Transporta-

tion for City's Multitudes.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.-The vast subway and elevated system of the Interorough Rapid Transit company, operating in Manhattan, the Bronx and parts of Brooklyn and Queens, was completely paralyzed today by a strike called last night by P. J. Connelly, acting president of the Brotherhood of Interborough Rapid Transit company em-

violence. The tie-up became absolute at 6 A. M., when the last of the trains sent out be fore 4 o'clock completed their rounds and were shunted into the barns and abandoned.

At that hour strikers in the Interporough power house shut off the lower, causing a temporary stoppage of traffic on the surface lines of the New York railways and the Manhattan spurs of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit comn Paris is ignorant of the details of pany, which use Interborough power, Other Lines Are Jammed. Three power houses resumed opera-

> lines, which were jammed throughout the day, as were the steam railroads, automobile trucks, sightseeing buses and boat lines which tried to take care of the crowds. With every prospect for a continuation of the absolute tie-up tomorrow, city officials and the public service

> tion an hour later, however, permit-ting resumption of traffic on these

transportation for the nearly 2,500,000 persons who will awarm the thoroughfares leading into Manhattan The strike was declared by the poice to be, so far, one of the most or-

tonight toward providing emergency

decly large strikes ever called in New Heavy details of patrolmen were stationed at all barns, power houses and

station houses to prevent any possible outbreak.

Mayor Charges Collusion. Investigations by District Attorney Swann of New York county and District Attorney Martin of the Bronx will be CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Riotous out-Three disturbances occurred in the owntown district where the police District Attorney Martin announced ports that strikers had declared they

did not care how long the strike lasted,

UKRAINIANS CAPTURE TOWN as they "were getting paid for strik-The full effect of the strike was not ever, when New York's millions sought the parks and other recreation centers, ciated Press.)—General Simon Petiura, the parks and other recreation centers, Ukrainian anti-bolshevik leader, after: sorts of motor vehicles were in demand, viki and captured the important town and folk who could not get these resorted to "shanks mare" and consoled themselves with pedestrian visits to Central park, which many of them had

not seen for years.

ers start downtown to offices, factories and lofts, greater confusion is antici-pated. While many of the large department stores have made arrangements to have their delivery wagons call for

to work or find rides on trucks and

Trouble Today Expected.

Tomorrow morning, when the work-

may develop.

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Shorts. Aug. 15—Five days have been set aside for the en-tertainment of the Pacific fleet begin-ning September 2, according to an-nouncement today by the fleet recention committee. On Wednesday, Sep-

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IF HE ONLY HAD THE NERVE TO FIRE THE PEACH-

