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## GERMANY VICTOR IN SILESIA VOTING

### Poles Lose Rich Mine District in Plebiscite.

### ANNEXATION IS DECIDED

### Count 876,000 to 389,000; Two Regions Missing.

### BALLOTING IS ORDERLY

**Allied Troops on Guard During Deciding of Sovereignty; 5000 Square Miles in Area.**

BERLIN, March 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Germany won an overwhelming victory in the plebiscite held in upper Silesia yesterday to determine the future national status of that region, according to official returns received here today. Two districts were still missing this morning but the count showed 876 000 votes for Germany and 389,000 for Poland.

Reports from Breslau said that the plebiscite was generally without untoward incidents.

Returns received up to 10:30 A. M. showed the following results:

| | Germany. | Poland. |
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| Rosenberg urban rural | 24,200 | 11,400 |
| Kreusburg | 43,000 | 2,300 |
| Lublinitz | 15,100 | 13,800 |
| Tarnowitz | 17,600 | 27,000 |
| Gross Strehlitz | 22,500 | 22,900 |
| Ober Glogau | 32,700 | 4,500 |
| Rozel | 36,300 | 11,700 |
| Gleiwitz, urban, rural | 58,000 | 32,000 |
| Leobschuetze | 65,100 | 300 |
| Ratibor, urban, rural | 48,700 | 20,000 |
| Kattowitz, urban, rural | 76,400 | 69,000 |
| Koenigschuette | 31,800 | 10,800 |
| Buethen | 73,900 | 73,500 |
| Hindenburg | 45,200 | 43,000 |
| Oppeln, urban and rural | 31,000 | 26,000 |

The plebiscite area, involving 5000 square miles of valuable mineral lands, including coal, iron, zinc and lead, is the largest territory to decide its nationality under the peace treaty. Germany has insisted it must have upper Silesia to meet her reparation payments, while Poland equally urged its need for that nation's welfare.

Former residents, both Polish and German, flocked back to vote. It is estimated at least 140,000 Germans returned to vote, special trains carrying the majority of them there.

Allied troops guarded the territory during the balloting.

### ENTENTE READY FOR POLES

**Any Effort to Override Voters' Decision to Be Quelled.**

OPPELN, March 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—Entente forces in Upper Silesia will promptly suppress any effort on the part of the Polish army to override the decision in yesterday's plebiscite, or to anticipate the action of the council of ambassadors in Paris, General Lerond, head of the inter-allied plebiscite commission, told the Associated Press today. He said rumors that the Poles had been concentrating an army on the Silesian frontier were "wholly without foundation."

"Should they cross the border," continued General Lerond, "they would be met by machine guns and rifles. America and the rest of the world may depend upon me to maintain the entente's will here."

General Lerond remained up all night to receive the returns from the voting. He did not attempt to conceal his pleasure that the plebiscite had been carried out with scarcely a ripple of excitement and no disorder.

The Germans here were massed in front of the Oppeln administration building to await the result of the balloting and when the first returns from the city showed a vote in favor of Germany in the proportion of 20 to 1, the crowd sang "Deutschland Ueber Alles," and "Deutschland in Ehren."

Reports that 30,000 Polish troops were marching toward the border have been current here. A motor trip along the Polish frontier showed the presence of the usual Polish sentries but there were no entente troops on the Silesian side of the border.

The balloting yesterday was virtually over by mid-afternoon. There was no disorder of a serious nature reported. During his trip through the zone a number of Germans attempted to confiscate the Associated Press correspondent's automobile at Eichenau to take voters to the polls but the attempt was unsuccessful.

### POLISH APPEAL IS EXPECTED

**Review of Plebiscite by Impartial Tribunal Held Likely.**

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Polish officials here expressed the opinion today that Poland might appeal to the council of ambassadors and to the league of nations from the result of the upper Silesian plebiscite should the official count confirm the German victory, unofficially reported today.

Should an appeal be made to the league of nations, it was said, an impartial tribunal might be asked to review the plebiscite. In such a case, it was suggested, a representative of the United States might be asked to serve.

It became known that last November request was made of the state department by Poland for the ap-

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## STAR COLLEGE PITCHER ADMITS USE OF ALIAS

**VERNON PARKS BEAVER UNDER NAME OF BROOKS.**

**Michigan Player Resigns Captaincy of Team to Join Detroit Americans at End of School.**

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 21.—Vernon Parks, captain of the University of Michigan baseball team and considered one of the best pitchers in the "big ten," admitted to Athletic Director Bartelme today he had played professional baseball in the Pacific Coast league last summer and at the same time resigned from the team.

It is said Parks plans to join the Detroit Americans at the end of the school year. "Pete" Van Boven, an infielder, was named to succeed Parks.

Parks' confession followed the return of Bartelme, who had been shown a photograph in Chicago last week of "Harold Brooks," who had pitched first class ball all last season for the Portland, Or., club. Bartelme became suspicious that the pitcher was Parks and began an investigation, which ended in his confession.

Parks has been the mainstay of the Wolverine nine for two years.

## CITIES FACE BANKRUPTCY

**British Columbia Municipalities Ask for Immediate Relief.**

VICTORIA, B. C., March 21.—Unless many of the larger British Columbia cities and towns are given immediately financial relief, they will be bankrupt before they can receive their share of liquor sale profits under the pending government liquor control bill, the municipal committee of the legislature was told today by the executive committee of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

The municipal delegation urged that a tax of 5 cents a day on all workers, $15 a year on others and $15 a year on corporations be levied to pay the expense of schools and hospitals.

The cost of maintenance of schools and hospitals has increased so during the past few years that ability of the municipalities to meet the increased cost has been taxed to the utmost, it was claimed.

## CONVICTIONS WILL STAND

**Supreme Court Refuses to Review 40 California Cases.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The supreme court refused today to review the convictions in California of Edward Anderson, Mortimer Downing and 38 others on charges of conspiring to violate the selective service and espionage act.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—Edward Anderson, Mortimer Downing and the 38 others who were denied a hearing before the supreme court today were defendants in the Industrial Workers of the World trial in Sacramento in December, 1918, and January, 1919. Miss Theodora Pollok of San Francisco was the lone woman defendant.

The defendants were given sentences ranging from a nominal fine to ten years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan.

## TAX EXCEEDS ESTIMATE

**$600,000,000 Is Toll Taken on Incomes and Profits.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Approximately $600,000,000 was collected by the government in income and profit taxes up to last Saturday night, according to reports today to the treasury. This amount is $100,000,000 in excess if the estimate made by Secretary Mellon.

About $850,000,000 was collected by the government for the same quarter a year ago, but the showing so far was regarded as excellent for this quarter.

## MARCH HEAT RECORDS GO

**Temperature 82 Degrees in Boston and One Prostration Reported.**

BOSTON, March 21.—The maximum temperature of 82 degrees reached at noon today was four degrees higher than it has ever been recorded here for a day in March. One heat prostration, the first of the year, was reported.

NEW YORK, March 21.—All New York's March heat records were broken today when the official thermometer registered 80 degrees at 2:30 P. M.

## BRYAN THINKING OF 1924

**Commoner Asked to Run Again, Believes He Could Win.**

MIAMI, Fla., March 21.—William J. Bryan was asked tonight by the Young Women's Christian association of Miami to run for president in 1924. Mr. Bryan was chairman of the association's recent drive for funds.

"With the women voting, I am confident I would be elected should I decide to try," the Commoner said.

## EARNINGS SHOW BIG GAIN

**Past Year Prosperous One for Western Electric Company.**

NEW YORK, March 21.—Total sales of the Western Electric company during 1920 were $206,112,000, as compared with $135,722,000 for 1919.

The annual report today showed net earnings amounted to $8,277,414, while those of 1919 were $5,652,089.

The net earnings for 1920 were 7.2 per cent on the average investment.

## NATIONAL FIXING OF RAIL PAY HIT

### Atterbury Scores Unions and Blanket Pacts.

### LABOR BOARD HEARING IS HOT

### Money Extracted From Lines by Leaders, Is Accusation.

### WAR ON UNIONS DENIED

**Vice-President of Pennsylvania System Accuses Federation of "Throttling Employes."**

CHICAGO, March 21.—W. W. Atterbury, vice-president of the Pennsylvania railroad and ex-chairman of the railway executives' labor committee, took an emphatic stand against national agreements, which he termed "prolific of misunderstandings," in a heated cross-examination before the railroad labor board today.

Questioning by F. P. Walsh, counsel for the unions, brought vigorous replies. Charges that the union leaders did not really represent the employes and that national rules were used to procure employment for more men and extract money from the railroads on technicalities were made by the witness.

The gist of Mr. Atterbury's testimony follows:

**Eight-hour Day Opposed.**

Rules should be negotiated between road officials and their employes across the conference table, "like a game of poker."

The eight-hour day could not be universally applied to all employes, especially train service men, "because the Lord didn't build railroads that way."

Establishment of the hourly basis of shop work has destroyed the energy and initiative of shop employes and abolition of piece work would be the "Most dreadful thing that could happen to railroad employes."

National rules constituted a dog collar around the neck of the railroads.

**Union Officials Accused.**

Two charges against union officials were made by the witness. He declared that although the national agreements had the object of employing more men, he was "a better friend of my men than any union men at this table." The declaration brought from Mr. Walsh a query whether Mr. Atterbury represented section hands.

"No, but you do not. Those men are not represented here," was the reply.

Mr. Atterbury demanded that the rules be interpreted clearly.

"When it comes to devising means

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## CALIFORNIA INDORSES PORTLAND EXPOSITION

**FAIR HELD TO DESERVE COMMENDATION OF WORLD.**

**Concurrent Resolution Introduced by Senator Breed Is Put Through Both Houses.**

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 21.—The state legislature today put through both houses a concurrent resolution, introduced by Senator Breed and reciting that a proposal of the state of Oregon to hold a world exposition in Portland in 1925, designed to signalize the return by the world to normal enjoyment of peace and progress "deserved the commendation of the world."

The resolution stated that "the legislature of the state of California indorse and commend the world exposition to be held at Portland, in the state of Oregon, in 1925."

David M. Dunne of Portland, who came here to present the matter to the legislature, said the proposed exposition has been entitled "The Atlantic-Pacific Highways and Electrical Exposition," and a company of leading Portland men had incorporated to sponsor it. He said the exposition did not ask money from California, but only indorsement and cooperation.

The object of the exposition is the stimulation of business and travel, and the consequent education of the east about the possibilities of the west, Mr. Dunne said.

## LADY ASTOR THREATENED

**Woman Member of Parliament Outwits Her Assailant.**

PLYMOUTH, England, March 21.—Presence of mind on the part of Lady Astor, member of parliament, averted an attack on her and resulted in the arrest of the soldier who had threatened her.

As Lady Astor was leaving her residence Saturday, the soldier halted her and after using violent language threatened to kill her. Realizing a display of fear might precipitate an attack, she sought for time and tried to get the man's name.

The soldier then started to run, with Lady Astor in close pursuit. The chase led to some stables and then to a public-house, and the soldier was caught.

Lady Astor expressed the wish that no proceedings be taken against the man.

## DRY AMERICA HELPS SPAIN

**Wine Exports to United States Reach Big Proportions.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—During the first year of national prohibition, Malaga, Spain, shipped to the United States five times the amount of wine sent here in the ten preceding years, American Consul Smith says in a report received today by the department of commerce. The total wine exports to America in 1920 exceeded 475,000 gallons, the consul says, and was shipped under permits for non-beverage purposes.

Exports of raisins from Málaga to the United States in 1920 were unprecedented, the council reports, the total being 10,906 metric tons, or approximately 1000 tons more than the total to all countries in 1919.

## $5 POLL TAX MADE LAW IN WASHINGTON

**EVERY PERSON, 21 TO 50, IS SUBJECT TO LEVY.**

**$2,000,000 Expected to Be Raised to Be Used to Retire $11,000,000 Soldier Bonus Bonds.**

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 21.—Governor Hart today signed the poll tax bill passed by the last legislature. The bill became effective at once and under it every man and woman in the state between the ages of 21 and 50 years must pay a poll tax of $5 before May 1 of each year. The first year's tax is due before May 1 next.

The law requires that county assessors make up a list of persons liable for the tax, and the department of labor shall furnish to county treasurers a list of all employers of the state. No employer shall pay his workmen after May 1 until the latter shall have paid their poll tax. The law gives to county sheriffs the right to seize personal or real property until the poll tax is paid.

It is expected that the poll tax will raise about $2,000,000 a year. It will be used to retire the $11,000,000 in bonds issued to pay the state bonus to world war veterans.

## AL COTTON, ACTOR, KILLED

**Car Overturns While Driving From San Francisco to Sacramento.**

SAN FRANCISCO, March 21.—(Special.)—Al Cotton, a vaudeville actor, recently a resident of Portland and owner of a theatrical agency in that city, was killed Saturday when an automobile which he was driving plunged over a steep embankment and overturning pinned him beneath it. He suffered a fractured skull and his neck was broken. He succumbed before aid could be summoned.

In company with Miss Bertha Knowles of San Francisco Mr. Cotton was on his way to Sacramento to fulfill a theatrical engagement when the mishap occurred. Miss Knowles escaped with a few minor bruises owing to the fact that she saw the accident could not be averted and leaped from the speeding car. Cotton was 23 years old and the only son of Walter C. Cotton, a banker of Boston, Mass.

## SUMMER OPERA DOOMED

**Part of London Social Life for 100 Years to Be Abandoned.**

LONDON, March 21.—Abandonment of the summer grand opera season, a part of London social life for 100 years, appears certain this year, in view of the cost and the difficulty of obtaining good singers.

Adverse conditions in Europe, says the Chronicle, have resulted in the migration of songsters to North and South America.

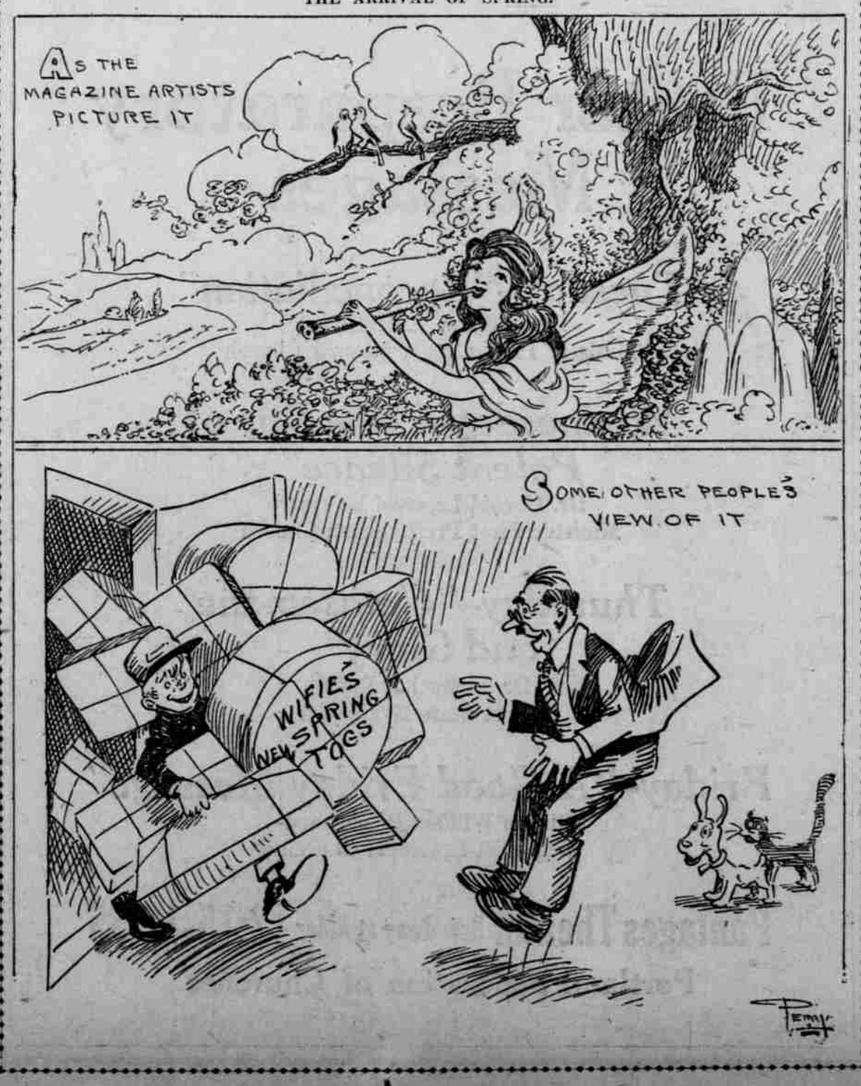
## EGGS ARE 19.5 CENTS

**St. Louis Wholesale Price Drops 9.5 Cents in Week.**

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 21.—The wholesale price of best eggs was 19½ cents a dozen here today.

This is a drop of 9½ cents in a week.

THE ARRIVAL OF SPRING.




## AID FOR MT. HOOD LOOP STATE OFFER

### Multnomah - Clackamas Money to Be Matched.

### CROWD URGES ACCEPTANCE

### Highway Commission Also Willing to Advance Funds.

### ESTIMATED COST $610,000

**Plan Is to Start Road From Sandy and Improve It to Edge of Forest Reserve.**

An offer to match all money contributed by Multnomah and Clackamas counties for the Mount Hood loop and put the work under contract at once was made by the state highway commission yesterday afternoon. The commission also said it was willing to advance the necessary funds, providing the counties promised to reimburse the state next year. A large crowd of people recommended that the proposal of the highway commission be accepted by the Multnomah county commissioners. The latter took the matter under advisement.

Such is the status of the Mount Hood loop project. The next move will have to be made by the Multnomah county board.

R. A. Booth, speaking for his colleagues, J. B. Yeon and W. B. Barratt of the highway commission, announced that the estimated cost of building from the Multnomah county line to Zigzag, the point where the forestry department has built a road onward to government camp, is about $610,000. Of this sum $107,000 will be required for the 6.9-mile stretch between the Multnomah line and Sandy postoffice. From Sandy to Zigzag is 17.4 miles and the estimated cost of this mileage is $503,000, which includes $8000 a mile for macadam. Clackamas county has $83,000 and this with $85,000 from Multnomah will make $170,000, which the state is willing to match, making a total of $340,000, or $163,000 less than is necessary to build the mileage.

**Loan of Money Proposed.**

It was up to the two counties, explained Mr. Booth, to say what they would contribute, for the state would match what the counties actually give. "And," he added for County Commissioner Holman, who said Multnomah has no money available, "we will lend the money, but the agreement must recite repayment next year." The proposition of the highway commission met with enthusiastic favor from the throng of persons that filled room 520 at the courthouse.

In the opinion of the highway commission, the proper place to start is from Sandy and improve the road to the edge of the forest reserve so as to make available the $260,000 road which the government and state have constructed between Zigzag and Government camp. This latter road is now 87 per cent complete. The road between Multnomah county line and Sandy is now fair and the state has offered to assist Clackamas county in its maintenance, so there is no pressing need to spend $107,000 on this 6.9 miles for the present.

George H. Cecil, district forester, stated that the original agreement of the government and the state was for $910,000, on a 50-50 basis, to build the road around the mountain within the forest reserve; that in addition to the Zigzag - Government camp section, work is now proceeding in clearing on the Hood River side, at an expense of $10,000, and the forestry department wants to contract for another six miles at $210,000 for grading and clearing, leaving $428,000 to build the remaining 17 miles in the reserve. Mr. Cecil said the government wants to complete the road in the reserve by or before 1925.

**$83,000 Loan Suggested.**

W. M. Davis, to get the matter formally before the conference, moved that the state lend Multnomah county $85,000 to be repaid from the 1922 county budget, and the money be spent between Sandy and Zigzag. Mr. Booth informed the gathering that it would be better to let the 17 miles go as one job, and therefore Multnomah county should contribute enough to see its share through. G. M. Joseph then amended Mr. Davis' motion to the effect that the citizens recommend that the county commission proceed to aid and construct the road between Sandy and the west boundary of the forest reserve and for this purpose recommend the budget of 1922 provide for the sum of $85,000 to reimburse the state, and in the budget of 1923 another $85,000 be provided for a similar purpose. All present supported this motion with the exception of Joseph Gagnon, who did not like the 1923 proposal.

Harvey Cross, judge of Clackamas county, showed that his county has $83,000 available for the loop now, but for future contributions he would make no guarantee as that was a matter which would have to be settled by the Clackamas county budget committees from year to year.

While assuring everyone that he believed in the Mount Hood loop, Ralph Hoyt, Multnomah county commissioner, said that there is need for

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## MEADOW LARK CAROLS OF SPRING'S COMING

**OTHERWISE, GENTLE SEASON IS UNRECOGNIZED.**

**Sun Shines Warily in Morning, but Smiling Skies Turn to Weeping Clouds Later.**

The start of spring was on the calendar yesterday and in the voice of the meadowlark, which rose lilting and clear from the midst of a bunch of bedraggled feathers, but as for spring weather, well—. Twenty-nine hundredths of an inch precipitation is a pretty good day's work for J. Pluvious, even on a wet day.

The vernal equinox, which marks the equality of day and night, determines the date of Easter, is proverbial for storms and is otherwise of historic and meteorologic significance, arrived yesterday. In the forenoon a balmy flood of sunshine caused hens to sing merrily as they went about their business of producing Easter eggs. Home gardeners were moved to try out the spade and the lawnmower and watch the cherry trees for the first sign of a blossom.

All of this was squelched in the afternoon by a flood of rain that checked the falling of the flood waters in the Willamette and made the pedestrian thankful that he had mastered the impulse to leave his overcoat at home.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—The beginning of spring today brought to the Atlantic coast region of the United States the highest temperatures ever recorded for March 21.

Washington led nearly a dozen cities with an official temperature of 89 and a street level temperature of 99.

New York reported a record temperature of 80, Boston 82 and Baltimore 88.

Temperatures were reported tonight, however, to be declining even faster than they went up, a cool wave having overspread the country east of the Mississippi and even extending beyond, as evidenced by snow in southwest Kansas and freezing weather in the Texas panhandle. Moorhead, Minn., tonight reported only 18 degrees above zero.

The cool weather, in the opinion of weather bureau officials, however, will not endanger fruit trees.

## COURT ACTS FOR ARTIST

**League Barring Statue Is Ordered to Show Cause.**

NEW YORK, March 21.—Art marched into court today and won.

Supreme Court Justice Newburger was asked to consider an application by Charles C. Rumsey, sculptor, polo player and son-in-law of Mrs. E. H. Harriman, for an order directing the Architectural league of New York to show cause why it should not be required to place a statue by Rumsey, "The Pagan," on exhibition at its annual show next month. The court considered and issued the order.

The statue—a nude female figure—has recently been the cause of much debate in artistic circles. According to Rumsey, his work was accepted by the head of the league, but rejected by the committee of sculpture.

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## HOTEL MEN BALK AT PHONE RISE

### Old Rate to Be Tendered Pending Rehearing.

### APPEAL TO COURT POSSIBLE

### Stormy Session Is Held by State Association.

### COMPANY IS DENOUNCED

**Public-Be-Dammed Attitude Is Charged and Service Declared Not Worth Price Demanded.**

Hotel men of Oregon will tender the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company payment for service at the old rates and will fight through the courts any attempt of the company to cut off their service until final settlement is made before the public service commission, it was decided yesterday following a stormy special session of the Oregon State Hotel Men's association at the Hotel Portland.

The vote came as the final action of the body on the matter after a discussion of grievances by members and a presentation of the side of the telephone company by C. E. Hickman, state manager of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, and Company Engineer Flegel. About 60 hotel owners, including a fair representation from all parts of the state as well as Portland, were present at the meeting.

**Company's Attitude Resented.**

Mr. Hickman was grilled by the members present and by George A. Mansfield of Medford, president of the Oregon farm bureau, for the action of the company and its attitude relative to the rate rise protest.

Mr. Hickman and Engineer Flegel stated that the dire need of funds had lead the company to petition for the rate increase in Oregon and that prior to the increase in rates the company's earnings had paid scarcely any return on its investment in the state.

When questioned why the rates reported to have been increased about 30 per cent, according to the commission's ruling had raised rates for hotel owners in amounts ranging from 50 to 225 per cent, Mr. Hickman stated that in prior telephone rate increases the hotels had not been affected. Under the present rate increase the company has sought to place a fair share of the burden on the hotel exchanges as well as upon the business houses and private telephones, he declared.

**Exchanges May Be Cut Out.**

Statements were freely made that the hotel men would take their exchanges out rather than submit to the new rates.

"The service isn't worth it," declared Pat Foley of The Dalles in response to Mr. Hickman's statement that he felt the service was worth the charge.

Shouts of "you're right, Pat," came from all parts of the room.

"What I want to know," continued Mr. Foley, "is why I can put in a four-party line in my hotel at a cost of $1.75 a month for each phone, while it costs me $2.50 a month for each phone when I have my own switchboard?"

"We are going to take our phones out," interrupted W. C. Birdsall of Bend with some heat, "and in addi-

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### THE KAISER'S SUPPRESSED LETTERS TO BISMARCK.

The world has waited long for these documents, contained in the memoirs of Prince Bismarck. Now, with the Iron Chancellor at rest in death, and his liege lord an exiled, crownless king, they are published for the first time.

Watch for them in The Sunday Oregonian of April 3, and for their serial continuance. Historians will find heretofore forbidden material in Bismarck's own relation of his service to the German empire, his fealty to the emperor, and his final retirement. The statesman who moulded the German empire, and whose work was at its height when the jealous young Kaiser dishonored him by dismissal, had much to reveal in his narrative.

The Sunday editor feels that this serial offering, among the several of importance that have dealt with European and world affairs, is of first rank and will be generally accepted as such by thousands of readers who wish to be well-informed—as an aid to comprehension of world dramas, past, present or prospective.