Experts Place Electric

Energy Second.

STEINMETZ' WORDS OUDTED

Mineral Wealth Conceded

Sufficient for 12,000 Years.

From Coal Revealed at Interna-

tional Mining Convention.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME.

WAK UEMANUFI

Hughes Insists on Voice in Peace Settlement.

YAP MANDATE REPUDIATED

United States Are Denied in Notes to Allies.

NOT AT ISSUE

America Asserts Failure to Ratify Pact Will Not Detract From Rights.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6 .-The American government, although not a party to the treaty of Versailles has surrendered none of its rights in the overseas possessions of Germany secured to the principal allied and associated powers by that treaty. Japan, Great Britain, France and Italy were informed by Secretary Hughes in similar notes dispatched

by the state department Monday. Specifically, the communications deal with the award to Japan by the to lack of proper notification. supreme council at Paris May 7, 1919, of a mandate over the island of Yap, important cable center in the GERLINGER BUILDING SOLD Pacific ocean, and Mr. Hughes says the American government "trusts Consideration Understood to Be in this action, which it must assume was taken under a misapprehension, will be reconsidered."

Full Rights Demanded.

by the new secretary. They make it plain that the change of administration has resulted in no modification of the position of the United States that as a principal contributor to the victory over Germany it must insist a cash consideration. on the exercise of its full rights in man possessions.

Only one communication - that to Great Britain - was made public. Those to France and Italy are understood to be substantially the same. but the state department explained that the note to Japan contained additional paragraphs referring to pre- upper floors are used as offices. The vious correspondence between the two governments. It added that the was built in 1910. correspondence "is not made public

American Approval Necessary.

one on Yap received from that country March 2. This communication and the other three were supplemental to previous notes. The series was begun by Secretary Colby November 9.

or effective discussion of the over- less," given under direction of Sersens nossessions of Germany without geant Neville Benoit at Camp Lewis, assent of the United States," Secre- 12 miles away, last night. tary Hughes points out that the peace treaty does not "purport to secure to Japan or to any other nations concert 500 feet from the receiving any right in the overseas possessions therein should be secured to the concert was greatly enjoyed, down to United States."

many renounces in favor of the prin- gramme. cipal allied and associated powers all sessions.' It will not be questioned that one of the 'principal allied and associated powers' in whose favor Germany renounces her rights and titles is the United States. Thus, not only the position of Japan derives no strength from the treaty or from probate today, bequeaths \$250,000 of any discussions preliminary thereto, but the terms of that treaty confirm the position of the United States."

Reservations Pointed Out.

Referring to contentions raised that the supreme council during the drafting of the peace treaty agreed to a mandate over Yap for Japan, WHEAT DECLINES TO 88 Mr. Hughes calls attention that Pres ident Wilson had made in the previous meetings of the supreme council on three occasions reservations regarding the islands.

The secretary then quoted from letter from President Wilson to the state department on March 3, in which he declared he had held that Yap should be internationalized for cable purposes. Mr. Wilson says he never abandoned or modified this po sition and did not agree on May 7 1919, or at any other time that the island should be included in the assignment of mandates to Japan.

Powers Not Given.

Mr. Hughes quotes him further: "As a matter of fact, all agree ents arrived at regarding the asnment of mandates were condi-(Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.)

VESUVIUS RUMBLES IN ACTIVE ERUPTION

OLD VOLCANO MORE VIOLENT THAN FOR 15 YEARS.

mpressive Internal Grumblings Accompany Disturbance Made by Cantankerous Peak.

NAPLES, April 6 .- (By the Assoiated Press.)-Mount Vesuvius is in ictive eruption.

The eruption is the most violent that has occurred in 15 years. It is being accompanied by impressive in-

Dense clouds of smoke, mixed with ng picture. Many American tourists have been attracted by the spectacle, but were prevented from approaching the crater by the showers of hot ashes Powers of League to Bind and cinders and the movement of

SHIPPERS NOT SATISFIED

Proposed Freight Rate Reduction

Short of Expectations. KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 6. Special.)-Little hope for reduction of freight rates beyond what already in sight was given shippers by G. W. Luce, general freight traffic manager of the Scuthern Pacific, at a conference here last night. In a today as the big issue of the meeting brief filed with the interstate commerce commission the railway company proposes rate reductions averaging 13 per cent, with a maximum of 24 per cent on third and fourth classes. This rate should be effective

within 90 days, said Mr. Luce. Twenty-five shippers were presen and with one exception expressed dissatisfaction with the rates and argued for further reductions. Clyde Aitchinson, chairman of the interstate commerce commission, has advised Klamath Falls to apply for a reopen ing of the rate cases. At the Portland hearing January 18, last Klamath Falls was not represented due, according to T. L. Stanley, manager of the chamber of commerce

Excess of \$125,000.

Sale of the Gerlinger building, five story modern structure at Second and Alder streets, was consummated The notes are the first important yesterday. E. J. Schefter, proprietor diplomatic communications penned of the Alder Street pharmacy, purchased the property from Louis Gerlinger, owner.

consideration was announced as \$125,000. The transfer did not involve other real estate or property, but was said to have been for

Mr. Schefter announced that there the disposition of the former Ger- will be no immediate changes in the building, although an enlargement of his present drug store quarters is contemplated. The lower part of the building is occupied by a fewelry fectionery and other establishments, in addition to Mr. Schefter's pharmacy, which is also located here. The building is of brick construction and

CONCERT SENT BY RADIO

The note to Japan is in reply to Programme Carried by Wireless

College 12 Miles Away. SEATTLE, Wash., April 6 .- (Spe cial.)-Three hundred students and the faculty of St. Martin's college, at Lacey, Thurston county, grouped within 200 feet of the college radio Asserting "there could be no valid station, enjoyed a "concert-by-wire-

But for a strong wind at the time, the audience could have heard the station, according to Father Sebastlan, who is in charge of the college of Germany, save as an equal right wireless plant. As it was, the hour's the last number and including the re-"On the contrary," he says, "arti- marks Sergeant Benoit made after cle 119 of the treaty provides: 'Ger- each of the 14 numbers on the pro-

her rights and titles in overseas pos- CHARITY GETS \$12,000.000

Mrs. Pullman's Will Bequeaths

\$250,000 to Training School. CHICAGO, April 6,-The will of Mrs. George M. Pullman, filed for the \$4,000,000 estate to the Pullman Free Manual Training school and the remainder to her two daughters grandchildren and other relatives and servants. It was announced that Mrs. Pullman had given \$12,000,000 to charities within recent years.

Growers of Walla Walla District Hold Crop Against Slump.

WALLA WALLA, Wash, April 6. Special)-Wheat hit a new season's low price mark today, when \$8 cents a bushel was the best offer farmers could get for their grain.

Between 25 and 30 per cent of the wheat crop of the valley is still in the hands of the growers.

BREAD DROPS TO 5 CENTS

Price of December, 1916, Reached at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS. April 6.-Bread at ents a loaf retail was placed on sale here today for the first time since

The minimum price then was ad vanced from 5 to 6 cents.

Farmers' Committee of 17 Argues Issue.

PLAN STRONGLY SUPPORTED

lames formed a majestic but alarm- Co-operative Marketing Otherwise Questionable.

DECISION TODAY LIKELY

Grain Growers of 23 States Repre sented at Conference Being Held in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 6,-Compulsory pooling of grain thrust itself forward called for ratification of a national co-operative grain marketing plan worked out by the farmers' grain marketing committee of 17. Decision went over until tomorrow.

Advocates of compulsory pooling asked that one-third of the grain handled by farmers through the proposed national marketing agency be held for pooling. Recommendation mittee was that pooling should be left optional with each

farmer. Sentiment for compulsory pooling grew rapidly under the attack on the optional plan late in the session, and on the strength of its advocates. The issue was opened by C. O.

Moser of Dallas, Tex., secretary of the farm bureau federation. He noved an amendment to the plan presented by the committee of 17 requiring each grain grower joining the national association to agree to the poeling of one-third of all wheat he delivered.

Plan Strongly Supported.

Aaron Sapiro of San Francisco prominent in the California co-operative movement and appearing as a port from B. M. Jewett of Spokane, Wash., general manager of the Northwest Wheat Growers' association. Demand for compulsory pooling

tives of the Wheat Growers' Assoclation of America. "We stand for a 100 per cent com-

TIVES FINALLY SOLVED.

Says He and Another Killed Turfman in New York.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 6. - Roy Harris, arrested tonight on a charge

the street by a chauffeur they knew, an automobile. for a job. They got in and drove up beside the loading platform, street, where she let them in with the policeman fired five times.

Harris alleges Dunkin shot Elwell. The woman, he said, gave them \$450 money and securities. each and promised the rest of the money later. Harris says he never got any more and suspects his pal "double-crossed" him. He fled the city when the tragedy attracted such widespread Interest.

The man has been staying at a hotel here with his wife since Tues. Fifty Are Injured and 1700 Houses day. An acquaintance tipped the Ontario for alleged forgery, and he was arrested. As he was being brought into the station he said: "That check thing was all settled. know what you want me for. It is the Elwell murder." Then, without much prompting, he

dictated a statement and signed it. NEW YORK, April 6 .- Police head- dren were injured as they fled from quarters here was notified tonight a burning schoolhouse. of the arrest of Roy Harris in Buffalo and his alleged confession that he took part in the murder of Joseph the temples and schoolhouses. Active

B. Elwell here last June, but official omment was withheld pending the receipt of further details. So far as is known, the name "Mrs. Fairchild," mentioned in the alleged confession, has never been

brought into the case before. Every element of the classic detective tale has appeared in its mos dramatic setting in the Elwell cas tion by the foremost sleuths of thi city. Wealth, divorce, the glitter of Broadway night life, beautiful women delegate of the Northwest Wheat gowned and jeweled for the ball, the Growers' association, seconded the race track, the gaming table, and, amendment and it had further sup- far removed from the frenzied whiri of the "bright lights," the doting parents in their vine-shaded home in the country-all these were woven railway near New River, Tenn., today and interwoven into what was pro-

deepest mystery of years. In its most sinister guise, murder rereat the hands of an assassin, death pulsory pool, but we came ready to came to Joseph Bowne Elwell in compromise to effect one great na- middle age when his most engrosstional agency," said W. H. McGreevy ing cares amounted to anxiety over of Kansas, president of the National a favorite race horse, some intricacy rails. Wheat Growers' association. "If com- of his ruling passion, bridge whist,

JUST WHEN EVERYTHING IN THE GARDEN WAS NICELY SPROUTED.

CASE THAT BAFFLED DETEC. 50 RAILWAY AND POSTAL EM-

Alleged Forger Arrested in Buffalo Policemen Fire at Five Outlaws Who Jump Into Auto and Speed Away.

> It was said that the registered sack contained approximately \$50,000 in

in front of the station while awaiting the mail truck.

TOKIO SWEPT BY FIRE

10 A. M .- Dr. Edwin T. Hodge presiding:

Are Destroyed.

TOKIO, April 6 .- A big fire, which broke out today in the Asakusa section of Tokio, was brought under control this afternoon after firemen had torn down a ring of houses around New York city. the affected district.

Firemen were aided by 3660 memture of Portland Cement." bers of the police force and troops 2 P. M.-Nichol Thompson and gendarmes. A number of chilpresiding:

Tonight a thousand refugees were "Mining Industry of British quartered in the Asakusa park, in Victoria, B. C. relief of the sufferers from the disrict is under way.

The blaze broke out at 8:30 A. and was still spreading at 2 P. M. Fifty persons were injured and 1700 houses were destroyed. Among them were eight temples, a schoolhouse

which, since June 11 last, defied solu- SIX DEAD, THIRTY INJURED Royal Palm Limited Is Wrecked on

Southern Rallway. SOMERSET, Ky., April 6 .- Two perfataily, in a wreck of the Royal Palm, Limited, northbound, on the Southern A special train bearing the dead was also in evidence from representa- nounced by detectives to be the and injured arrived here tonight. Four

> Three coaches were overturned and three sleeping cars derailed. wreck was due, according to railroad men, to buckling or spreading of the

The Royal Palm Limited runs from Jacksonville, Fla., to Chicago.

ANDUSTRY

MYSTERY OF ELWELL ROBBERS GET \$50,000 MINERS CAP COAL MURDER IS CLEARED MAIL LOOT, ESCAPE AS KING OF POWER

PLOYES HELD UP.

CHICAGO, April 6 .- While scores of pedestrians gazed on what they be of forgery, signed a statement to the lieved to be a "movie" robbery and effect that he and another man killed 50 railway and postal employes oblig-Joseph B. Elwell in New York June ingly stood with their hands in the sir, five armed robbers seized three Harris says that he and a friend, sacks of mail at the Dearborn stree William Dunkin, were accosted on railway station today and escaped in

who told them he had a woman Homeward crowds filled the station passenger who might pay them well and streets when the automobile drew about with the woman, who said her mail truck was unloading. After the name was Mrs. Fairchild. She prom- three sacks, one a registered pouch. ised them \$5000 to kill Elwell, and bad been thrown into the machine gave them \$50 each on account, the one of the robbers became alarmed statement declares. The next morn- at seeing a policeman and fired at ing she met them and drove them him. All of the robbers then leaper o Elweli's home on West Seventieth into the machine and sped away as

The robbers, it was said, played ball

"The Mining Industry in Relation to Business Prosperity," Edwin Ludlow, New York city. "Low Temperature Distillation of Coal," Kirby Thomas,

Motion pictures - "Manufac-

Motion pictures-"The Heart of Historic Cariboo."

Columbia," Hon. William Sloan, "Mining Industry of Southeastern British Columbia," S. S.

Fowler, Nelson, B. C. "Problems of the Prospector," W. Mulholland, Nelson, B. C. "Mineral Resources of Seven Devils District, Idaho," D. C.

Livingston, Corvallis, Or. 5:30 P. M.: Organisation of Oregon section, American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, followed by informal dinner at Multnomah hotel.

Coal was king at yesterday's ses- OREGON CLAIM CONTESTED sions of the third international mining convention at the public auditoriprogramme and experts discussed it

from every angle. Not only was the spoken word employed to sound the praises of King A dispatch from Portland, Or., last miles will be new construction, and Coal, but the eye was caught by a week that a prize hen there laid an hard construction at that, graph upon the wall indicating what egg 74 inches around, from point to man owes to a lump of coal. The point, has provoked a statement from added a new road-Sherman highway thart was surprising. It was made Mrs. N. I. Raub of Salt Lake City that by a colliery expert of many years' she has a bird that can easily outdo bia river highway, south to Shanike. service and Nichol Thompson of Van- the Oregon product, couver, B. C., who vouched for it, said things so widely separated as tar and

butter can be made from coal. Rather a blow to a serene and opeful world was included in the afternoon programme. The fact was no known successor. The royal dy-

nasty will end with him.

Persons naturally optimistic, who TODAY'S-Fair and warmer; portherly knew, of course, that some day the wood, oil and coal would give out, expected that humanity, when coal fol- Vesuvius rumbles in active eruption. lowed the others up the world's chimlowed the others up the world's chimneys, would give a brief recognition of the fact by crying "King Coal is Ex-Emperor Charles returns to Switzerland. Page 2. dead; long live King White Coal," or Coal strike negotiations seem assured terion down Cow Creek canyon, misssome such thing, and the water powers would meet the world's power needs splendidly in the future and all Pars 1. would be well, perhaps even better veterans relief to be centralized. Page 2. the highway has been located and

A pre-eminent expert of the "than whom" type, none other than Steinmetz, of the General Electric company, was quoted yesterday decidedly Pooling held essential to co-operative to the contrary. The bad news came marketing of grain. Page 1. in the paper prepared by Ralph Gauit, Negro farm boss in court tells how he fuel engineer. It discussed the will, helped kill 11 blacks. Page 4. fuel engineer. It discussed the utilization of coal so as to get the best results, without waste of the fuel. He Navy is for fighting, not policing, say guoted the great Steinmetz to the efquoted the great Steinmetz to the effect that all the water power in the United States, if developed, would produce but little more power than that now developed from coal alone It could never meet the demands for expansion that will come with the country's greater development.

Coal's Energy Held Enormous.

Mr. Gault's paper, which was read by another in his absence, said; "It is interesting to note that there are some 100,000,000 horsepower of prime movers of all kinds in the United States and that 52 per cent of these are coal-fired steam plants, 39.8 per cent combustion engines and other types and only 8.2 per cent hydraulic. Steinmetz of the General Electric company sald:

"'Assuming an efficiency of 60 per cent from the stream to distribution centers, there remains 230,000,000 kilowatts, 24-hour service, as the maximum possible hydro-electric power which could be produced if, during all seasons, every river, stream, brook or little creek throughout its entire length, from spring to ocean, together with all the waters of the freshets. could be and were used. This maxi-220,000,000 kilowatts is little more than the total energy which we now produce from coal and is about equal George H. Page 7. country, including all forms of en-

This is rather startling. It means that the hope that when coal once city counce that the hope that when coal once Page 4.

MARRY EARLY, SAYS FATHER OF FIFTEEN

UNION WHEN CHILDREN LOVE ONE ANOTHER URGED.

"I'm Not One to Stand in Way of Their Happiness," Asserts Kansas City Man.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 6 .- (Special.)-M. F. Burch, 47, father of 15 hildren appeared before Probate Judge Sims today and applied for a dense to permit his 13-year-old daughter, Goldie, to be married to Jerry M. Hines, 24. This will be the second marriage in the Burch family Contracts Totaling \$716,033 since January, when a 15-year-old son, John Burch, married Carmen L.

Elliott, 15. Burch explained why he sanctioned

the early marriage of his children. "When children love one another PRESENT WASTE DECRIED am not the one to stand in the way of their happiness," said Burch, "One my wife and I refused to permit one of our daughters to be married when she was 12 years old. The child be- Sherman Highway to Run to Shan-Manufacture of Tar and Butter came so despondent over the action that she actually became ill and i was necessary to send her away hoping she might forget the affair. know we did wrong and I made up my mind to give my consent nex

> "My life has been a test of Christlanity," continued Burch. "I have always lived under the principles of the gospel. I work through the day and worship at night.

"I hope that my life will assist peo ple to understand that riches do not consist of dollars. My wealth is my family. Those who are thought rich have dogs about their homes instead of children. They are unhappy, while I am enjoying life with the com-

panionship of my children. "I believe in sparing the rod, too the father of 15 should know,"

450 HENS LAY 302 EGGS

Flock Is Said to Have Increased Daily Output 10 Per Cent. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-EGE, Corvallis, April 6.—(Special.)— An increased egg production of 10 per cent in two weeks was effected after taking possession of an 18-acre

chicken farm by a change in methods of feeding, according to George Mc-Gilchrist, a '20 graduate. His farm s three miles south of Salem. He said he now gets an average of 302 eggs a day from 450 hens. Mr. McGilchrist has 2000 chicks, and expects to build henhouses for another

It was the only subject on the Reputed Biggest Egg Held Easily The Dalles and Madras was made by Outdone in Salt Lake.

not a double-yolk egg, either."

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ation bill approved by Lodge and Knox sit in highest heaven. Page 3.

Robbers get \$59,000 mail loot and escape. Page 1. Elwell murder mystery cleared. Page 1.

Pacific Northwest. State will sue to recover on all overdrafts held by defunct bank of Jacksonville, Oregon. Page 5.

Pacific Coast League results: At San Fran-cisco S. Portland 1; at Los Angeles 4. Seattle 2; at Sacramento 6, Vernon 1; Salt Lake-Oakland game postponed

Commercial and Marine, Chicago wheat railled by reports of cold wave in middle west. Page 21, Ease of money factor in stock market ad-vances. Page 21. Last Perris aype hull dips today. Page 14.

Portland and Vicinity, crown coal as king of energy. Highway located and contracts are let. Divorces loses suit to recover money from ex-husband. Page 7.

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Oregon airplane patrol to be expanded.

noil votes for Foster project Recognition of the marble caves of

ROAD IS LOCATED AND JOBS ARE LET

California Highway Is Routed Via Madras.

CO-OPERATION IS PROMISED

Are Awarded for Work.

NEW ROAD IS PROVIDED

lko and Connection Will Be Made With Main Line.

DOINGS OF HIGHWAY COM-

MISSION. Locates The Dalles-California highway from The Dalles to

Madras Gives Sherman county road from Columbia highway to Wasco line. Agrees to co-operation for

road to Oregon marble caves. Decides Cold Springs road shall start from landing instead of Pendleton. Wants to start big road project in Lake county this year.

Will advertise from Allen ranch to Klamath line in Deschutes in May. State will co-operate from

Pilot Rock to Butter creek on Oregon-Washington highway. Offer of \$100,000 made Malheur county to grade and rock from Cairo to Vale, balance to be on John Day or central Ore-

gon highways. Agrees to co-operate completing grade between Newport and

Benton county line. Awarded 43.21 miles of road, of which 9.8 miles are paving; aggregate bids awarded, \$716 .-

Dalles-California highway between day. It will probably cost \$1,500,000 SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, April 6 .- to build the road, of which about 100

To Sherman county the commission -running from Biggs, on the Colum A connection will be built from Shan Mrs. Raub claims that her prize hen lko to Criterion on The Dalles-Calilays an egg 71/2 inches around every fornia highway. Wasco county also other day, and in further deprecation proposes to project a connection from of the claims of Oregon, says "and it's the main highway at or near Maupin to the forest boundary so that it can link up with the Mount Hood loop. developed in one paper that coal has INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS gramme is largely contingent on the passage of a proposed \$800,000 road YESTERDAY'S Maximum, 60 degrees: man county stands ready to meet the bond issue in Wasco county. She

highway commission on its new road on a 50-50 basis.

Gateway Just Missed. As located by the commission, The Dalles-California highway starts from The Dalles, goes to Dufur Kingsley, Tygh Valley, Maupin, Criing Gateway by a few miles and landing at Madras in Jefferson county. From Madras to the California line considerable work has been per-

formed on it. The highway will penetrate some of the strangest scenery in Oregon and will require considerable engineering. It will drop 1000 feet into the Deschutes canyon, when crossing that place, and will climb to 3200 elevation on the so-called Shaniko s plains, near Criterion.

For Sherman highway the commission has not been so specific in the When children love one another they ston has not been so specific in the should marry, says father of 15. Page 1. location. It names the termini as Briggs and Shaniko. The road will start at Biggs, on the Columbia river highway, climb Spanish gulch to Wasco, then go in the vicinity of De-Moss, touch More, go through Grass Valley to the head of Cow Creek canyon and will be at or near Kent, thence to Shaniko. This road will be Takel due here Sunday for wrestling highway by crossing Buck Hollow canyon to Criterion. These locations are not official, but in a general way son. Page 12. to follow the present north and south German buying cleans up surplus of small-road through Sherman county. This sized prunes. Page 21. Sherman highway is a sort of com-

pensation to Sherman county. \$800,000 to Be Asked.

Wasco county has \$60,000 on hand and \$100,000 in old road bonds. It plans to supplement these with \$500 -000 in bonds if the people will vote them in the special June election The highway commission will cooperate insofar as state funds are Young delinquents blamed on schools available without jeopardizing the cialms of other counties. The Wasco could be and were used. This maximum possible hydraulic energy of probe of gambling to hit Pertiand clubs start on the north end of the highway. As for Sherman county, It has suspended policemen at lasue \$250,000 on hand with which to co operate.

No action was taken on the Mount Hood loop by the commission, Half-million mark passed by campaigners being in abeyance until Clack for community chest. Page 14. being in abeyance until Clackamas

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