

### STRIKES DEcriED BY PREMIER OF PRUSSIA

Germans Must Work, Says Chief, Opening Assembly.

### FIRM TEUTON STATE URGED

Creation of Number of Small Republics, Unable to Take Care of Themselves, Held Mistake.

COPENHAGEN, Friday, March 14.—The watchword of Germany must be "work," Premier Hirsch of Prussia declared in opening the Prussian assembly in Berlin yesterday.

The premier referred to the pernicious effect of strikes on industry. He declared that Prussia was ready to be incorporated into a united German state, but said it would be a mistake to split Prussia into republics not capable of existing by themselves.

BASLE, March 15.—Herr Leinert, majority socialist, has been elected president of the Prussian assembly which is meeting in Berlin, a dispatch from the German capital says.

BASLE, March 14.—The Bavarian central council has issued a statement declaring its desire for complete socialization, according to advices from Munich. A socialist central economic office will be created, it is stated, the control of which will be exercised by a council which will include workmen, intellectuals and peasants.

LONDON, March 15.—"Acute unrest prevails in the whole Westphalian industrial region and it probably will be necessary to enlarge the British bridgehead in the direction," says a dispatch to the Mail from its correspondent with the British army.

BASLE, March 15.—The Bavarian diet will convene on Monday, March 17, and will be asked to elect a new premier to take the place of Kurt Eisner, who was assassinated last month.

BASLE, March 15.—A soldiers' workmen's and council for the Tyrol has been formed at Innsbruck, advices received here say.

LONDON, March 15.—British and German committees have opened negotiations in Rotterdam, a German government wireless message received here says.

### PACKERS TO LOSE LICENSE

### ILLINOIS COMPANY DECLARED IN BANKRUPTCY

Federal Judge Holds Six Persons to Grand Jury and Appoints Receiver.

CHICAGO, March 15.—As a result of investigation of the tangled affairs of the Consumers Packing company, Federal Judge Landis today ordered a telegram sent to Secretary of State Emerson of Illinois, notifying him that the company was in bankruptcy and "in a bad mess," and that its "blue sky" license should be revoked.

"Include in the telegram that the salesmen for the company should be put to some useful occupation," said the judge, who already has held to the grand jury six persons and has appointed a receiver for the company.

The jurist also directed his bailiff to send a telegram to Joseph E. Davies of Washington, former chairman of the federal trade commission, inviting him to testify next week.

"Be sure and state in your telegram that the court will grant Mr. Davies leave to return the \$7500 which he received from the company under a misapprehension," added the judge.

Attorney Joseph W. Elissenbach, representing petitioning stockholders who caused the investigation, declared today he would bring suit against Secretary of State Emerson for \$500,000, the approximate amount of stock sold by the company. Such a suit would be the first of the kind to determine liability of the official for money lost by persons who invested by virtue of supposed faith in the state "blue sky" law and its administration.

### TRANSPORTS LEAVE FRANCE

THREE CARRIERS ON WAY TO U. S. WITH SOLDIERS.

Total of 7000 Officers and Men Due to Reach New York and Newport News March 23.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Departure from France of three transports with about 7000 officers and men, was announced today by the war department. They are due at New York and Newport News on March 23.

The Noordan carries for New York a detachment of the 37th division, headquarters company for Camp Sherman, the headquarters, ordnance and medical detachments and machine gun company of the 145th infantry, 37th division, also for Camp Sherman and casual companies for Ohio, New York, Texas, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts (two), Colorado, Idaho and South Carolina.

The transport Konigin der Nederlanden, bound for Newport News, has aboard the 115th field artillery, less battery A, 20th division, two-thirds of which goes to Camp Lee and companies A, B, C, D and detachments of the 105th ammunition train 20th division, the bulk of which also goes to Camp Lee. The transport Matsonia, sailing for New York, carries the 10th infantry practically complete, showing only about half of its full strength and with

detachments of the 159th Infantry, both regiments being of the 40th division. Most of the men of the 10th infantry go to Camp Kearney, Cal., while the bulk of the men of the 159th go to Camps Upton and Grant. The ship carries also detachments of the 3th engineer regiment, a majority of the men being scheduled for Camp Kearney, two casual companies for New York and a number of sick, wounded and other casualties.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The steamship Hollandia arrived here today from Brest with 1025 troops. Units included the 102d field battalion, signal corps, complete, 11 officers and 477 men; mobile hospital No. 101, eight officers and 42 men for Camps Grant and Dodge. There are also 150 nurses, 19 civilians and 24 casual officers of various branches of the service.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 15.—The battleship New Jersey arrived here today from Brest with 1074 officers and men including casual companies from Texas and Nebraska.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Units announced today by the war department as assigned to early convoy included: The 15th regiment of engineers, base hospitals Nos. 14, 44, 46, 50, 72, 94 and 118, army ambulance service sections Nos. 517, 523, 529, 531, 558, 592, 594, 628, 630 and 641, 409th telegraph battalion, convalescent camps No. 1, 5 and 6, aero squadrons 58, 102, 496, 497 and 1105, 114th field signal battalion, bakery companies Nos. 305, 327 and 394 and field hospital No. 42.

### FORT LARAMIE IS FLOATED

### KRUSE AND BANKS COMPLETE NINTH FEDERAL HULL.

Launching of Vessel Is Witnessed by Large Crowd, Mrs. K. V. Kruse Acting as Sponsor.

NORTH BEND, Or., March 15.—(Special.)—The Fort Laramie, the ninth emergency fleet hull constructed by the Kruse & Banks shipbuilding company of this city, was launched at noon today. Mrs. K. V. Kruse, wife of Mr. Kruse, member of the firm, was sponsor for the vessel and broke a bottle of wine over the boat as it moved down the ways into the water.

The hull was wally decorated with flags and bunting and a large number of invited guests and the shipyard band occupied seats on deck. The Fort Laramie is of the Ferris type and is the third of its class to be launched at the yard. But one federal hull now remains in the yard and this is about 75 per cent complete and will be launched within a short time.

The completion of this hull will finish federal contracts in the yard, unless contracts for two Ferris hulls suspended by the shipping board following the signing of the armistice are reinstated. A large part of the material for the latter contracts was cut and assembled in the yard before the order suspending the work was received and this material is on hand.

It is reported that the company is negotiating with San Francisco interests for the construction of several sailing schooners, but the unsettled condition of labor and material prices is having a tendency to defer definite action.

### WEEVIL DAMAGE LOWERED

### Millard County, Utah, Makes Progress in Campaign.

SALT LAKE CITY.—Weevil control work in Millard county, a project of the county farm bureau, during 1918 saved alfalfa estimated at a value of \$114,000, according to J. B. Walker, state crop pest inspector. Millard county is considered the greatest alfalfa seed district known, producing approximately one-third of all the alfalfa seed in the United States.

### Ocean Beach Highway Gets Cash.

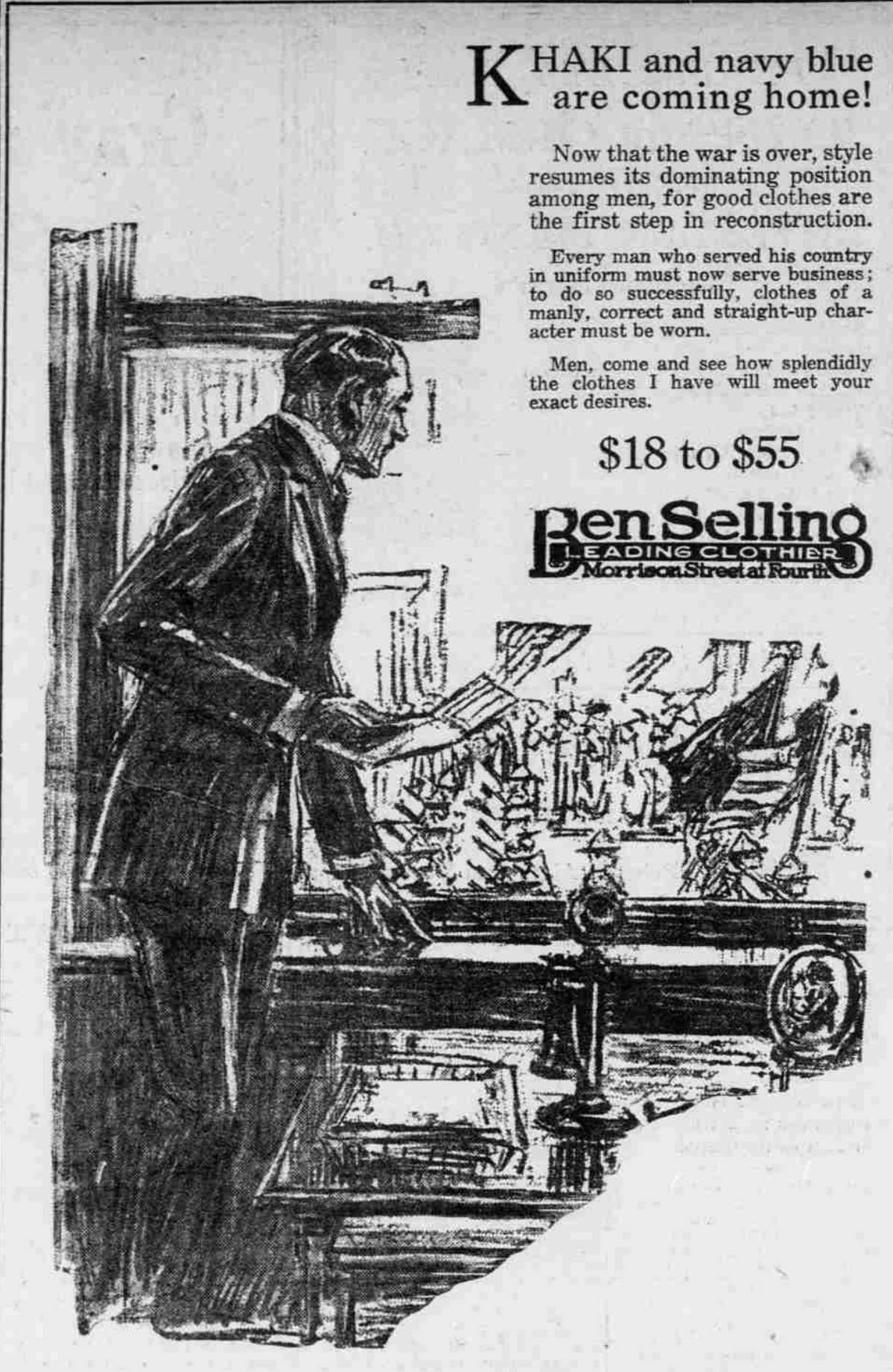
KELSO, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—With an appropriation of \$250,000 for the newly-created Ocean Beach highway from Kelso through Wahkiakum county to the Pacific beach and back through Pacific and Lewis counties to Chehalis, sufficient money is available to complete partly this road in the coming biennium. Of the \$250,000 the sum of \$15,000 was appropriated for work in Cowlitz county from Coal creek to the county line, and \$75,000 for work in Wahkiakum county, which will be liberated from its roadless condition by this work.

### Pendleton Course Is This Week.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 15.—(Special.)—A school for elevator operators will be held in Pendleton March 17 to 20, under the supervision of the extension service of the college. Members of the staff who will attend and assist in conducting the school are F. L. Ballard of the extension service, G. R. Hyslop of the farm crops department, Paul Mehl, ex-

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tension representative in organization of markets, and Dean J. A. Bexell of the school of commerce.

### Grays Harbor Election April 15.

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 15.—(Special.)—The special election on the question of issuing \$400,000 bonds for road building, this sum to be put with government and state aid, the whole amount totaling \$1,640,000, will be held April 15, instead of April 8, as tentatively announced.

### Malheur Lake Birds Lecture Topic.

H. T. Bohman, of the Oregon Audubon society, will talk at the Albina branch library, 350 Knott street, at 8:15 Tuesday evening. The public is invited to the lecture, which will be on "The Birds of Malheur Lake Reservation."

### Women Fail as Lace Makers.

LONDON.—Women are not successful as machine lace makers in the Nottingham district, according to a report

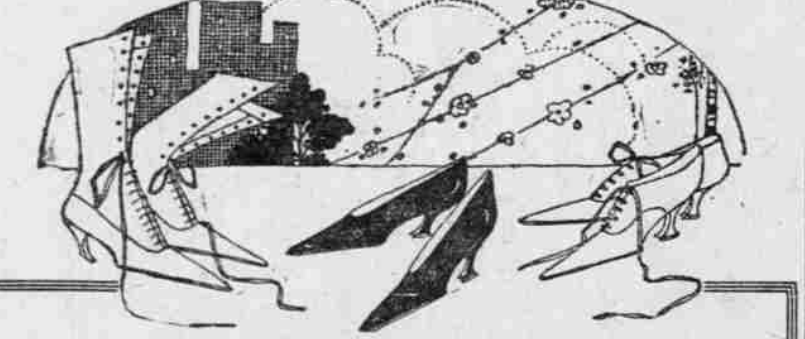
on the "Substitution of women in non-munition factories during the war" made to the Home Office.

The employment of women as machine attendants, to take places of men called to the colors, was a wartime measure, and the report says that "Women not having made good their footing as substitutes, the question of their continued employment at this work 'hardly arises'."

### Vocational School Wanted.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska.—(By Mail.)—Anchorage women, who have named candidates for the offices of the Alaska Federation of Women's Clubs, will urge the federating to petition the territorial legislature to provide a vocational school for Anchorage and enact a mothers' compensation act and curfew law. The Anchorage candidates for federation offices are: Mrs. J. B. Beeson, for president; Mrs. William B. Clayton, for secretary; and Mrs. J. Levy, for treasurer.

Westminster church tonight—"Colonel Watterson's Religious Confession."—Adv.



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