PORTLAND, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 11, 1917.

Portland and vicinity-Sunday, occasional rain; southeasterly winds. Oregon-Occasional rain west, settled east; southeasterly winds. casional rain west, un-Washington-Rain west portion; light rain or snow east portion; south-

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Markets and Finance. tonight, one week after the breaking

ff of diplomatic relations between the 'nited States and Germany. SECTION THREE-8 PAGES That Germany will soon make, of has already made, a secret proposal, designed to forestall hostilities, was

Government officials admitted they

the same time admitted that they did not take kindly to the reported Ger-They said Germany was merely try-ing to becloud the issue, swell the

pacifist ranks and block the hand of

Harbingers of Spring — By Ella.

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23 Persons Frozen lting the state department late this To Death in Winter

dge of the German overtures, more than to say they had expected some On the whole, the state department regarded the plan as clever German propaganda, which would be backed by all pacifists in this country and tend The Swiss minister, in his conference just before 6 o'clock this evening, did. however leave a communication from Germany, asking that the Prussian treaty of 1799 be reconstrued. Germany wants this reaffirmed, so Canada.

that citizens of Germany may remain here nine months, unmolested, in case operated, is completely tied up by held and prosecuted, snowdrifts. Towns inhabited by an Out of the 15 arre of war, while Americans may have the One of the vital paragraphs of the only through rumors filtering in to man, who was shot in the battle man. "If war should arise between the them over shaky telegraph or telephone two contracting parties, the merchants

of either country then residing in the other shall be allowed to remain nine northern Wisconsin, 2; Minnesota, 3; North Dakota, 5; South Dakota, 1; three gunmen, and a bullet taken Canada, 12. In these states 19 were maimed by loss of an arm, a hand or deceased Suey Sing, corresponds ex-an ear by freezing, while 17 were actly with those found in the smok-

Students Welcomed By War Secretary

college students and alumni all over the United States in the service of the government in time of threatened or actual war received the most enthusiastic commendation of Secretary of War

The head of the movement, William McClellan, dean of the Wharton school, University of Pennsylvania, presented the plan in person. It is now called the intercollegiate intelligence bureau. and already is compiling the names of They recalled, however, that earlier students and alumni everywhere whose characteristics, training and willingness to serve would make them valuable aides to the military authorities.

Hold-Up Men Shoot Woman Who May Die

attempted holdup here tonight Mrs. Helen Veeck was shot and probably replenishing her torpedoes at bases, or fatally wounded when her husband, J. A. Veeck, threw a weight at the holdup men in an effort to chase them from the Veeck confectionery store. The holdup men made their escape.

Despite Winter Chill

Washington, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.)-In esponse to an inquiry from the brother of George Bacon, a Cleveland news-paper man, the state department has started an investigation abroad, but Though the temperature was below has been unable to trace him since freezing. President and Mrs. Wilson Bacon disappeared in December, after went out for a golf game today. The president had made no engagements for today up to noon.

Hips shot, are on the same fleer, next door north. Only a partition separates the tong headquarters. The powerful today up to noon.

Germany Feels Out U. S.
Chinatown Fears Tong War.
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hurried departmental conferences, after which every high official of the de-partment issued denials of any knowl-Record Breaking Cold Weather Has Claimed Heavy Toll in Lives in the United States; Many Are Maimed. St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 10 .- (U. P.)-I wenty-three persons have frozen to death and 36 persons have been maimed for life by freezing thus far in this record-breaking cold winter, United Press figures compiled tonight show. The territory includes northern Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas and

In-this territory more than 3000

The dead during the winter are, in maimed in Canada.

Washington, Feb. 10 .- (I. N. S.)-Baker today.

Chicago, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.) -In an Mrs. Veeck was shot in the breast

Inquiry Into Fate Of Writer Started Wilsons Play Golf

Trouble Complicated by Removal of Hip Sings to Quarters of Bing Kong-Bow Leong Tongs.

OTHER SOCIETIES MAY JOIN PRESENT FIGHT

Release of Prisoners Makes Suey Sings Mad All Over.

Portland Chinese, especially the resdents of the two Chinese districts, lived completely under a reign of terror Saturday night.

On North Fourth street and on Second street above and below Police headquarters, for long periods at a time, not a Chinese would be in sight. The stores were boarded up with their wooden shutters. Lookouts sat teepholes in the doors, and if one lucky enough to gain entrance to business house, he would be accosted y hollow eyed Orientals who have slept scarcely a wink since the trouble began Thursday night with the killng of a Suey Sing man by three Hip Sing gunmen

Shortly after 7 o'clock last night, one of the most remarkable processions Portland has ever seen wended its way through the north end streets The Hip Sing tong moved its possessions, money and personal belongngs, in a closed touring car from 83 1/2 North Fourth street to the Bing Kong Bow Leung quarters in the Chinese Free Mason hall at Second and Oak Money and Treasure Moved.

One thousand dollars and lodge reasures were transferred. The mahine was closely guarded by police one uniformed officer sat on the seat with the driver, two motorcycle patrolmen rode alongside, and attorneys and detectives were within with the owed Celestials.

Had not the Chinese district been closely policed, civil authorities, Chinese of every fraternity were unanimous in their declaration that a battle would have taken place of local county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of spain were not revealed in from the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of spain were not revealed in from the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of spain were not revealed in from the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of spain were not revealed in from the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of every fraternity of the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only, providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the publication of the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the senate applied to Multnomah county only providing that the sen

At 6 o'clock last evening, the word went forth from the society headquarers, "no peace and no quarter." ported gunmen were said by the poice to be in the city. Overtures of the hinese Peace society were not made esterday, and members of the organization offer the simple explanation that they knew any offer of mediation at this time would be useless

Suey Sings Mad All Over. Wong Hong and Wong Yen, two Hip Sing members who were arrested with others, following the shooting Thursday night, were released yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. News of this quickly filtered to new Chinatown, and the Suey Sings, already humiliated by the killing of one of their

The release of these two was the big

ing hot gun that was located in the Multnomah delegation.

Clean-Up Is Promised. Stating that he believed the worst Ryan, in charge of the situation for

the state, added that a general roundup of every suspicious Chinese in the city would follow the next shooting. policeman and deputy sheriff in town. if necessary," said Ryan, "and each Chinaman who appears in the slightest degree to be suspicious will be taken to the county jail. "At every hand today I was told that the Chinese refused peace overtures,

and we expect more shooting. We can do little now, but await developments, part, we will turn to and put a stop to the thing. "The prospects of other tongs joining gation,

and down the coast yesterday and today, seem almost certain. The Bing Kong-Bow Leong tongs have now openly espoused the cause of the Hip Sings, and it is certain that the Hop Sings, bitter enemies of the Bing Kongs, will take up the feud with the Suey Sings. This is because the other shootings out of town were based on these former Hop Sing-Bing Kong troubles."

The Hip Sings are in the first war of their tong in 10 years, their attorneys The branch here is comparatively small, having about 95 members in all Of these 15 left town yesterday morning, and their attorneys said 20 more are expected to leave this morning. Their destinations are unknown. Being a peaceably inclined tong

North Fourth street are situated in the very center of their present enemies. The Suey Sings, whose gunman the Hips shot, are on the same floor, next (Concluded on Page Two, Column Four.)

R. PAUL RITTER, Swiss minister to the United States, who has been placed in charge of Germany's official interests in this country and who, it is stated, is working, on behalf of Germany, for a continuance of peaceful relations.



SELECTION OF A NEW PORT COMMISSIONER HAS POLITICAL TURN

at Legislature Against the Victims Since February 5. Alfred Tucker Candidacy.

Salem, Or., Feb. 10 .- One of the questions of large importance to Portland and the Columbia river which will come before the legislature next week will be the election of a commissioner for the Port of

Two candidates are in the field. One represents and is backed by the business interests who are much concerned in the development of the gard, 1279 tons, port for the commercial advantage it will be to all Oregon, and do not want to see the port commission be-

come a political hot-bed. The other represents political and retrogression in the totals of ships personal interests which many beearlier in the day that, inasmuch as lieve would be detrimental to the The first candidate is Tucker, well known Portland business nage 28,725.

man, who is at present a member of the commission by selection of a maaggregate of more than 10,000 south now held by the police. This is jority of the members of the commisof the international line have learned Joseph Woo, alias Louie Leong, the sion, and the other is George Kelly, of the trying international situation Hip Sing member, presumably a gun- well known politician and business

Up to Multnomah. Which one will be chosen by the

legislature undoubtedly will depend upon the action of the Multnoman delegation, as the question is considered to concern Multnomah county alone, and the up-state members will follow the recommendation of Used to playing politics,

Kelly and his active lieutenants early in the session, and even before the session opened, went to members of the Multnomah delegation and obtained from as many as possible, pledges of support for Kelly. These pledges were obtained from

a number of the delegation before the members knew any of the facts relating to the contest or were aware of the political forces which are seeking to get control of the Port of Portland commission. If Kelly had been less astute and waited until the question of electing a commissioner came before the legislature he would not have had even

a look-in, as can be plainly seen by the situation as it stands today when but when the Chinese have done their after weeks of effort, the Kelly part, we will turn to and put a stop to forces have been unable to line up a majority of the Multnomah dele-Mann "Counts Moses."

Representative John Mann, with Representative Kubli has been most active in working to line up the Multnomah delegation for Kelly, today "counted noses" again in preparation for caucusing on the question early next week. Kelly and John Burgard and Russell Hawkins and others were here from Portland this week doing what they could to help line up a majority

of the Multnomah delegation for

real issue and facts in the case, the safely. support for Tucker is stronger than hás ever been. It is reported that the Kelly forces, fearing that they will be unable to get the approval of a majority of the Multnomah delegation, have begun an effort to line up up-state members with the hope that they will take a hand in the Multnomah contest and support Kelly whether he can obtain the Multnomah indorsement or not. Up-state members are not taking

U-BOATS SINK SEVEN VESSELS' THREE BEING NORWEGIAN

Losses Heavy, However, London, Feb, 10 .- (U. P.) -Today's

sinkings by German submarines totaled seven, with a combined tonnage of 22,334. They were: British steamer Mantola. 6828 tons; British steamer Lullington, 2816 tons; British steamer Beach Tree, 1277 tons;

Norwegian steamer Solbakken, 2616

tons; British steamer Japanese Prince, 4786 tons: British steamer Ellavare. Statistics of vessels sunk in the "barred zone" since February 5 at midnight, when all restrictions on their operation were removed, showed this

February 6-Fourteen ships, total February 7-Nine ships, total ton-

February 8-Ten ships, total 'tonnage 23,712 February 9-Six ships, total tonnage February 10-Seven ships, total ton-

nage 22,334, From February 1 to 10, German submarines had accounted for 82 vessels, with a total tonnage of 186,404. These 82 vessels were divided thus among the nations of the world: British, 43 vessels; American, 1

other neutrals, 31; other allies, 7. As against this loss of 82 vessels, New York maritime experts, who claimed to have information from British admiralty sources, said 1100 ships had arrived and departed from British ports since February 1. Seven hundred arrivals and 410 departures were reported. Sixteen ships were reported to have escaped after having been attacked: These figures, however, made the total losses 89-7 more than the

number so far reported, and classified the losses thus: Torpedoed-British, 25; other lies, 13; neutrals, 21; trawlers and small boats, 21. Sunk by mines, 9.

Aerial Fighting on West Front Fierce

Paris, Feb. 10.—(U. P.)—Furious revival of aerial fighting marked the day's record on the western front, raported in the French official state ment tonight. French aeroplanes bombarded Ger-

man blast furnaces at Rombach and Hagodange, and the railroads and fac tories in the Serre valley. At the lat-ter place bombs accurately placed de railed and set fire to a train, Two enemy planes—one a three seated machine—were brought down by French aviators. A British admiralty statement thi

Kelly, but now that the members of afternoon reported a raid on Ghistel- turned in the alarm. the delegation are advised of the les, in which the aviators returned Mexican Escort for

Laredo, Tex., Feb. 10.—(I. N. S.)—A party of prominent Mexican officials, including the personal representative of First Chief Carranza, is expected to the scene. All the downtown fire ap-Up-state members are not taking arrive in Nueva Laredo tomorrow to any interest in the contest and say they prefer to leave it to the Multi-nomah delegation.

The state members are not taking arrive in Nueva Laredo tomorrow to paratus was rushed to the intersection of Twelfth and Morrison streets, while traffic in Morrison street was entirely nomah delegation.

ACTION ON THE TAX GRAFT

House Judiciary Committee Has in Hand Farrell-Orton Measure Repealing Delinquent Publication Law.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS RECEIVED WITH FAVOR

Change Would Require Printing Only When Mails Fail to Reach Owner.

Although the senate abolishing newspaper advertis-

ing of delinquent taxes was introduced early in the session, the house has not yet had opportunity to vote on it. It is in the hands of the house judiciary committee and if not reported without further delay there is serious danger that it will rot become a law. There is still time for taxpayers who desire to abolish this abuse to make themselves heard

Or., Feb. 10 .- Representative Forbes, chairman of the house committee on judiciary, is now standing between the house and its consideration

of the Farrell-Orton bill, repealing the ee on February 2. It was considered n an open meeting on Wednesday last, had a meeting of the judiciary committee, though other members of the com-

measures now before it. vill have a meeting Monday, at which ported out, very probably in an amend-

should be given by mail.

Amendment Is Considered. An amendment is now being considered by the judiciary committee which would again make the bill apply to the state at large. Under its provisions letters would be sent by the tax collector of each county to the owners of the property upon which

taxes are delinquent. These letters shall bear upon the it to be delievered, forwarded or reor ten days as may be finally deter-

The amendment further provides that the tax collector shall assemble all these letter notices that are returned to him undelivered, and shall cause these descriptions of the property covered by these notices to be published as the list is now published, except that it shall be printed in the responsible paper of general circulation submitting the lowest bid for the work.

Change Is Acceptable. This amendment has met with general favor, and if presented to the house would very probably receive its substantial support. The clerk of the judiciary committee is checking it up and will have it drafted in shape for the definite consideration of the com-

mittee Monday evening. The amendment proposal seems to meet all valid objections that have been or can be raised against the repeal of the present notoriously unfair and wasteful publication law. It provides for direct notice by mail, and also makes provision for constructive notice in all cases where the actual mailed notice has not been delivered. While providing for constructive notice it will greatly reduce the cost of such procedure since the experience of tax departments throughout the of tax departments throughout the state has been that a very small per- Military Training centage of mailed notices fail to reach

their intended destination. From the outspoken statements of various members of the senate, who opposed the Farrell-Orton bill in its original form repealing statewide publication, the proposed amendments, if of the legislature.

Woman With Letter Turns in Fire Alarm

Mistakes Box for Mail Receptacle and Then Beats Betreat While Firemen and Crowd "Beat It" to Scene. The threadbare story of the rube

who came to town, mistook a fire alarm box for a mail box and turned in an alarm by trying to put a letter in the box was enacted again last night, but instead of a rube, a woman She attempted to mail a letter in the fire alarm box at Twelfth and Morrison streets about 8:15 o'clock.

She pulled the little lever down and when the muffled bells within the box began to ring, she backed away from Fletcher Expected the box. When she saw the approach of the fire apparatus she did not wait to explain her actions, but beat a hasty and well concealed retreat up Tweifth street.

Flames Sweep Plant Making War Munition CARRIES

Near Pittsburg Destroyed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 10 .- (U. P.)-Fire tonight totally destroyed the main buildings of the Union Switch and Signal company at Swissvale, near here. Breaking out late this afternoon in the shipping department of the big plant that for many months was one of the biggest producers of munitions for the entente allies, the flames, quick- SPECIAL POLICE GUARD ly spread to other buildings of the concern and to nearly 50 houses and

The loss was estimated at \$4,500,000 by a leading official. Three thousand men were thrown out of employment. Government officers, under the direction of Marshal Joseph Howley, immediately began a sweeping investigation. Though the munitions department was recently dismantled, at the expiration of European contracts, much of the machinery still remained. In the past it has filled United States government orders amounting to many nillions of dollars.

tores in the town.

Ruins fell across the tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad's main line and locked it shortly before 6 o'clock. Nearly two hours elapsed before traf fic was resumed

Portland-Vancouver Car Service Revised

Thursday, Has Been Announced,

present service is of 25-minute interbecome effective on February 15, in- the journey, and Berlin advices indidicates that the first cars will leave Second and Washington streets at 6 a, m, and every half hour thereafter until 8:30 p. m., when a 25-minute party to the train in Berlin. Police service continues until 12:15 a. m., the protection will also be hereafter acmittee have been working on various service continues until 12:15 a. m., the final trip.

Cars leave Third and Main streets, It is understood that the committee Vancouver, on a half-hourly basis, starting at 5:47 a. m., until 7:47 p. m., time the Farrell-Orton bill will be re- when a 24-minute service continues orted out, very probably in an amend-days except Saturday and Sunday. Arrangements for the trip from The bill as it came into the house when a straight 30-minute service cov- Berne to Spain were not revealed in

tion of delinquent taxes should not be Portland and Vancouver will be about trains ready so that Gerard's journey required in that county, but that notice 38 minutes, saving 12 minutes over the will be faciliated with all possible time formerly consumed in crossing speed. It is not known on which lines

Lincoln's Birthday

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., Feb. 10.—(I. N. S.)—This little town in the Appaenvelope a notice to the postmaster to lachian mountains, where Kentucky, immediately after he had received his the effect that the letter is official Tennessee and Virginia touch, today passports for the United States. The business of the county and requesting was thronged with visitors, who gatnered to celebrate the twentieth anni-2732 tons; Norwegian steamer Hav- turned to the tax collector within five versary of the founding of Lincoin neutral embassy. Memorial university and the birthday

of the Great Emancipator. The university was founded by pub- Oregon Guardsmen lic spirited people who desired to honor Lincoln's memory by naming for him an institution where young men and women who have to struggle as he did for knowledge may achieve their goal. A movement is on foot to raise versity's work.

Stanford Students Balk at Sea Trip

Los Angeles, Feb. 10.-(P. N. S.) The 24 Stanford students who were to have left New York today to join the French field ambulance corps refused to sail when President Wilson Davis, of Troop A, were mustered out and will remain. Others requested to declined a warship convoy, according a message received here from be given discharges, but their applica-

Roland Speer, one of the students, Marion Kyle, son of Mrs. George A Kyle, of 543 East Thirty-seventh street, Portland, is a member of this party of Stanford students, but it was stated at the Kyle residence last evening that no word had been heard from him of the action reported above.

Favored by House

Salem, Or., Feb. 10 .- The house, with 35 affirmative votes, went on record this afternoon, just before adjournadopted by the house, will meet with ment, in favor of military training in ready concurrence in the upper branch the high schools of the state by the high schools of the state, by passing the Crandall bill, providing that the directors of such schools should have the power, if they desire to avail themselves of it, of providing military training in all the high schools of the state. Crandall, Mackay, Corbett and Muel-

land, Eaton and Goode. It passed, with 35 votes in its favor, and several Lansing Says Nation Can Trust President

er spoke in favor of the bill, while it

was opposed by Mrs. Thompson, Bel-

Washington, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.) -Secetary of State Lansing, at the Amherst alumni dinner tonight, reiter-sted his recent declaration that the "United States is on the verge of

though the situation may seem, there s always hope that our country may e spared the terrible calamity of being forced into the European conflict."
"President Wilson," the necretary aid, "can be trusted by the nation to Let justly and fearlessly in whatever lies before us. In his hands the des-tiny of the United States is sure, the national honor is care. mor in anda,"

"But," Lansing added, "ominous

Main Buildings of the Union Switch & Signal Company

PRICE FIVE CENTS

American Ambassador and Party Scheduled to Leave Berlin at 8:20 Last Night. According to Dispatches.

TRAVELERS IN CAPITAL

Swiss Government Will Attend to Journey to Spain for Embarkation.

The Hague, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.) -- By 3 clock tonight, America's break in diplomatic relations with Germany will have been physically and completely carried out. Ambassador Gerard, with his staff, and all American consuls in the German empire expected to leave the capital at 8:20, according to Berlin dispatches received here late to-

The German government has provided a special train in two sections, carrying sleepers and dining car. On the first section will be the ambassador, his staff and a few American newsute Interval Basis, Effective Next paper men. On the second will be the consular officers, a number of Red Cross workers and a few citizens. All arrangements have been made for ancouver on a 30-minute interval has passage of the baggage of the diplonatic and consular officials without examination, but the personal effects The of all others on the train will be The kaiser's equerry will be the

emperor's personal representative on cated that the American entourage will be given all possible courtesies. special police guard will escort the corded the building housing the American embassy records although a great many of these archives have already been transferred to the Spanish em bassy, which will represent the United

Gerard plans to leave Spain, Gerard Lodges Protest. London, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.)-A dis-At Cumberland Gap patch to the Exchange Telegraph company from The Hague tonight declared that Ambassador Gerard had lodged formal protest with the German government against cutting off all telephone communication in the embassy

Are Enroute Home

American diplomat, it was declared,

had submitted his protest through &

Calexico, Cal., Feb. 10 .- The troops of Oregon and Washington are homeward bound on two sections of a train that left here this evening. They ex-pect to reach Vancouver Barracks Tuesday or Wednesday.

The first section is bringing Battery A, with its stock and flat cars loaded with equipment. Troop A, with the Washington cavalry and signal corps, is aboard the second section, which is also bringing equipment and stock. Captain White is in charge of both sec-

Sergeant Tibbals and Bugler Edward

tions were made too late. None of the men remained because of sickness Southern Troops Depart. El Paso, Tex., Feb. 10 .- (I. N. S.) Troop A, South Carolina cavairy, the South Carolina field hospital and am-bulance corps and the Tennessee field hospital and ambulance company's departed for home tonight over the El

Paso & Southwestern railway. Wisconsin Boys to Leave. San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10 .- (I, N)-The Second Wisconsin Infantry began to place its equipment aboard trains today prepared to depart for

WHY WASTE TIME AND ENERGY?

Want a room?--Want to find a good oneand without any bother or waste of time? Here Is How:

Turn to the little ads, in section two of today's Journalthe "classified" section—and look under "To Rent—Rooms." Mark those that seem desir-

-and then go to see them "over the telephone." -This means to call up and

able-

find out all about the rooms before you go to see thembefore you spend time, car fare -before you are disappointed copy of The Journal and a

telephone may save you a thousand useless steps.

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ASSURANCE OF

Germany Said to Have For-

warded Proposal to United

States to Feel Out Possi-

bility of Avoiding Conflict.

TREATY IS REQUESTED

RECONSTRUCTION OF OLD

Swiss Minister, Acting for

Germany, Refuses to Give

Light on Subject.

By Robert J. Bender.

as to avoidability of war.

Washington, Feb. 10 .- (U. P.) -Ger-

Neutral diplomats have notified the

state department that "they are anx-

ious to do everything within their pow-

er to straighten out the tangle" be-

These two facts stood forth boldly

tween the United States and Germany

the report from Teutonic-Swiss cir

Government Officials Suspicious.

had expected such a maneuver, but at

President Wilson, should Germany's

ruthless submarine war demand ac

while Germany is sinking ships," was

the expressed semi-official viewpoint

services toward peace was officially

revealed at the state department late

received some communication from the

Swiss minister during the week, but

Swiss Minister Denies Report.

The state department officially said

knew nothing of any German pro-

posals; suggested they might have

been made to President Wilson and indicated they had expected some move

-propagandist or sincere. The Swiss

minister, acting for Germany, at first

would not confirm or deny," the re-

ported German proposal; but after vis-

afternoon flatly denied the story.

The Swiss minister's visit followed

Communication Is Presented.

treaty, bearing on this subject, is:

Merchants to Be Protected.

months to collect their debts and set-

tle their affairs and may depart free-

ly, carrying all their effects with them

officials hold, Germany would have the

advantage, as her citizens in Amer-

ica, far more numerous than Ameri-

cans in Germany, could do business

without internement for nine months.

to the ultimate greater advantage of

Regarding the reported new Ger-

frankly that Germany may want to

put her case before the world, lay the

responsibility for her submarine cam-paign again upon the starvation block-

ade of England and try to force the United States to act against England.

Officials Indicate Attitude.

This, officials say, is all beside the

point at present. The official attitude

was that Germany must show she will conduct a war according to the

in the week, the London wireless re-

ported that Germany was "negotiat-

ing" over possible modification of her

It was noted too that Germany's de-

struction of tonnage has dwindled rap-

idly the past few days-down about to

7400 tons in the Lloyd's report at the

state department today, or a drop of

more than 20,000 tons from reports of

may indicate Germany is ordering ex-

treme care; may only mean Germany is

that England is successfully combat-

ting the submarine menace.

The steady decline, officials say

strictest letter of international law.

proposal some officials said

Germany.

U-boat warfare.

a few days ago.

If this is permitted to stand, some

without molestation or hindrance."

such move would be started.

to tie Wilson's hands,

President Wilson is known to have

"We cannot consider any conference

That the neutrals had offered their

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Betail Marchants' Association to Meet.

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Prestige.
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Anti-Cigarette Birls Worry House.
Adequate Road Legislation Despaired

Adequate Road Legislation Despaired of.

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11. Strahorn Railroad to Reach Rémote Section.

Grain Standards Hearing This Week.

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members, were thrown into a great development of the day that keyed the tension almost to the breaking point. The Suey Sings expressed the belief their members had identified Wong best interests of the port, Hong and Wong Yen as two of the Hip the 11,158 miles of railroad normally Sing gunning squad, they should be

Out of the 15 arrested, only one is and is now in the emergency hospital. He has a bullet wound in the left foot. He also has been identified by Suey Sings as one of the from the body of Mar Duck, the

room where Joseph Woo sought refuge after being injured. tong war Portland has seen was brewing, Deputy District Attorney We will go down there with every

in the trouble, since the shootings up Hip Sings Leaving Town.

they have been undisturbed in other local battles, and their quarters at 83 1/2