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TWO AMERICAN WOMEN LOST WHEN CUNARD LINER LACONIA WAS SUNK BY GERMAN U-BOAT

Five Were Drowned When State Department Receives No Investigation Necessary, Big Liner Went Down-Eight Expired in Boats From Exposure.

Thirteen Lives Lost

London, Feb. 27.—(U. P.)— Official figures of the Laconia disaster today showed: Total passengers and Survivors landed at Queens-

town, 267. Survivors at Bantry, 14. Drowned, 5 Died of exposure and buried

In hospitals, 6. The figures were furnished the American consul at Queenstown and sent to Ambassador Page today. Consul Frost reported that the Laconia sank in one hour after the torpedoing.

By Ed. L. Keen. London, Feb. 27.-(U. P.)-Two American women were among the 13 killed in a German submarine's unwarned torpedoing of the Cunard liner following

They were Mrs. Mary (Mrs. Albert Harris) Hoy and Miss Elizabeth Hoy, the survivors

American Consul Frost at can embassy here today, adding that the four other Americans aboard the ship were saved. They were Floyd Lewis, 63 Williams street, Buffalo P Gibbons, Mrs. F. E. Harris. A. T. Dan Israel, 560 Olive street, Savannah

(Continued on Page Five, Column One) **WOMEN REPORTED TO**

HAVE BEEN U-BOAT'S VICTIMS WELL KNOWN

Mrs. Hoy and Daughter Prominent Socially in Chicago-Were on Way Home.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Albert H. Hoy, wife of Dr. Albert H. Hoy of London, and daughter, Elizabeth, who are reported to have been drowned when the Cunarder Laconia was torpedoed, were prominent in Chicago society.

They first moved to Chicago from Racine, Wis., about 17 years ago. They livtd here 12 years before moving to London. They still maintain their social connections here and visited friends and relatives fre-

Dr. Hoy and his son, Austin Hoy, are in London, and Mrs. Hoy and her daughter were on their way to rejoin them, after spending several months They were guests at the Congress hotel, and were entertained at Christmas time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Blossom of Hubbard

When they left Chicago they informed friends that they intended to sail on an American liner, and much surprise was evidenced when it was learned that they had been on the illfated Laconia,

Austin Hoy, a son, is London representative of the Sullivan Machinery The elder Hoy is about 80 company. Miss Elizabeth Hoy was 25

Dr. Hoy Is Prostrated. London, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.)-Dr. Al bert Harris Hoy, who lost his wife and daughter in the Laconia sinking. was stricken down with grief over his loss as he talked over the telephone to the United Press office today. He was removed to his room and put under physicians' care.

Submarine Catcher To Guard the Sound Ready to Be Placed

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 27 .- (U. -Puget sound will be protected against submarines in case of war by a steel net across Admiralty inlet that will be dropped in the daytime to

permit steamships to pass in Mines sown in the Sound off Port Townsend will be operated from Fort Worden.

Although a strict censorship has been maintained by government news sources, it is known that the nets and mines are already at Fort Worden and reach six miles across the inlet.

Cable From Consul Frost at Queenstown Giving Detailed Account of Sinking.

Queenstown, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.)-Thomas Coffee, a negro member of the crew from Baltimore, lost his life when the Laconia went down, Consul Frost cabled the state department this afternoon. According to the consul, the Hoys

and this negro are the only Americans so far known to have lost their lives. Washington, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -The state department today received a cable from Consul Frost at Queenstown confirming officially in almost every detail press dispatches regarding the torpedoing of the Cunarder La-

Frost's message said two torpedoe struck the liner and said Mrs. and Miss Hoy, both Americans, were buried at

Frost's cable under Queenstown date. 8:30 a. m., today, reads: "Deaths of Mrs. and Miss Hoy, as reported, positively confirmed. Cedric B. Ivatt, New York, probably Ameri-

can, is apparently lost. Firemen and Seamen Saved. "Among Americans saved are the

"Negro firemen and seamen: Douglas Adams, Newport News; Benjamin Parker, 33 West Sixty-ninth street, New York; Louis Darnell, 505 Cedric P. Ivatt, reported missing, Perry street, Baltimore; Percy Masseperished, according to latest informa- burg, 10 South Nineteenth street, New Ivatt was manager for the York; Henry Young, 180 Park Road, actress Mitzizikeosi, reported among New York; Barney Rhetter, 264 West Sixty-first street. New York: John Williams, address unknown; street, Philadelphia; Henry Smith, 126 Trapp street, Indianapolis; Joseph Isaac Bowman, 560 Olive street, Savannah: John Joneson, 180 Park Road, New York: Joseph Aumter, 55 Neeton street, Charleston; 15 in all. 267: landed at Bantry, 14.

"Total on board, 294. Women Buried at Sea. "Missing, 13, of which five drowned, and eight, including the Hoy ladies, iled of exposure and were buried at

sea.
"There are six hospital cases, one believed grave. "First torpedo struck abaft engine. steamer going 17 to 18 knots. Engines (Concluded on Page Five Column Four)

UNITED STATES CAN NO LONGER KEEP OUT OF EUROPEAN WAI

ommander Blair Says Unanimous Sentiment in the East Is That All Hope Is Gone.

The United States can no longer void being drawn into the European

Such was the statement of Lieutenant-Commander George F. Blair of the Oregon Naval Militia at a luncheon given by the lawyers' auxiliary of the militia at the Multnomah hotel. "Our time is coming," said Blair We can no longer avoid being drawn into the conflict raging abroad. The manimous sentiment in the east, as have found it, is that such a possibility as our remaining outside is beyond hope.
"Meanwhile the preparation is going

on. The government depends more and more on the naval militia as a factor n its national defense system. Capt. MacGruder, chief of the division of naval affairs, took occasion to com- that the award would be determined pliment the officers of the militia by competition, Later, when informed nighly at our conference in the east that the majority members of the rom which I have just returned. "He explained to us the steps to be

augmenting our forces. "Admiral Palmer, chief of the bureau of navigation and Major Harley to of the Marine Corps, were other of- too good to be lost.

ficers who took occasion to emphasize the necessity of preparedness in our organization. Mayor Albee was another speaker at linquent list appeared in only the Ore-the luncheon, while the "Star Spangled gonian and the Telegram. Banner." played by the Multnomah

hotel orchestra, was joined in by all

Guns for Arming of Ships to Be Bought

Washington, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -- Bids will be opened by the navy depart-ment tomorrow for 2400 one-pound guns and mounts, 350 three-inch guns Mitge Shipping company, Limited, and and mounts and several four and five-

inch mounts. These guns are the type most effective against submarines and are the size guns that would be mounted on merchant ships in case congress so ordered.

Ship of 3071 tons, owned by the Rein-the size guns that would be mounted deer Steamship, Limited, and registered at West Hartlepook. She was built in 1895.

SURVIVORS SEND LACONIA SINKING COMMITTEE OF

It Is Said, After Conference Between Secretary of State and President Wilson.

By Robert J. Bender. Washington, Feb. 27.—(U. P.)—The sinking of the Laconia, according to lighest official interpretation, is "a

No investigation is necessary. This became known as the administration attitude following a conference at the White House between Secretary of State Lansing and President Wil-

Evidence now in hand, presumably contained in cable dispatches from American representatives abroad, i was stated, eliminates any necessity or further investigation. The Laconia incident-what shall be done and how it shall be done-is altogether in the hands of President

Any decision, it was flatly must come from him. It was strongly intimated that the resident has no immediate intention of again going to congress. The official interpretation of the aconia incident as "a clear-cut act" did not bring in the word "overt," but the manner in which it was described | * left the very strong impression that overt" act was in the mind of the official who interpreted it.

BE SQUEEZED TO F

"Total survivors landed here were Oregonian - Telegram Again eign situation. as Delinquents.

> Delinquent taxpayers of Multnomah county are again advertised to the public in the taxlists published today n the Oregonian and the Telegram. Forty-one columns are required for the list in the Oregonian, and some columns in the Telegram. For the publication of these delinquent taxes the two papers expect to charge the county between \$6000 and \$7000. notice of delinquency had been given by letter, instead of by newspaper publication, the cost would not have exceeded \$300.

It is estimated that the list in cludes from 10,000 to 12,000 lots or parcels of land. The vast majority of the owners were aware of their delin quency before the list was published of them became delinquent through sheer inability to pay their taxes when due. They are now saddled with the burden of a 15 per cent penalty and in addition must pay the cost of utterly unnecessary newspaper

In the published list are the homes of many working people to whom the growing cost of living presents a very real and urgent problem. "I have always raid promptly the taxes on my home. said a hard-working man, the pro prietor of a downtown bootblacking stand, a few days ago, "but this year I just didn't have the money. I was ashamed to let my name go on the deinquent list but I couldn't help it What good does it do me to have that list published? I didn't need any no-It will be hard enough to get the money to pay my taxes, without having to pay the Oregonian and the Telegram for telling everybody how hard up I am. a price of 98 cents an inch for each insertion. The Telegram originally submitted a bid of 40 cents an inch, on the assumption that the list would be published in two papers only, and

the publication of the delinuent tax list the Oregonian named county board were contemplating publication in all four of the daily papers taken in mobilization and especially of the city, the Telegram promptly raid stress on the necessity for further raised its bid to 70 cents an inch. The opportunity to extort an extra 30 cents an inch from taxpayers too poor pay their taxes when due, was Owing to the refusal of The Journal and the Daily News to accept the

Two More British Steamers Are Sunk

award of the county board, the de-

London, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -The Britsh steamers Headley and Aries have been sunk. The Headley was a steel screw steamship of 4953 tons, owned by the registered at London. She was built in 1914. The Aries was a steel screw steam

Main Fight Is Against Giving President Power to Arm American Ships Carrying

Munitions.

Armed Steamers Favored. Washington, Feb. 27.—(U. P. -The senate foreign relations committee, following President Wilson's request to congress for plenary powers in dealing with the German situation, this afternoon agreed to recommend that American merchantmen under American registry be authorized to arm and defend themselves against submarine

attack, and that President Wil-

be empowered to supply defensive armament fore and President Wilson is also authorized and empowered to "employ such other instrumentalities and methods as may, in his judgment and discretion, seem necessary and adequate" to protect American vessels and citi-"in their lawful pursuits in the high seas." A credit of \$100,000,000 was

voted the president to be expended at carrying offt his authority. The house foreign affairs committee adjourned at 6:15 p. m., after a 10 minutes' session, until 10 o'clock tomorrow, without taking action on the Flood bill, authorizing the pres- * ident to arm American ships.

By Carl D. Groat.

Washington, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -The house foreign committee late this afternoon plans to report out the Flood bill, eliminating "other instrumentalities" aside from guns, gunners and money, which President Wilson seeks as a means to handle the for-A meeting of the house foreign af-

Brand Small Taxpayers fairs committee, scheduled for 4 o'clock, was postponed for one hour, as Postmaster General Burleson was two boy thieves broke into the Walin conference with Chairman Flood. Representative Harrison of Mississippi and other Democratic committee mem-

There was some suggestion in the committee that the Laconia sinking afterwards found in the street not far may alter the whole situation and that members would not be surprised if President Wilson may decide to ask! he has thus far sought. Washington, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -The

house foreign affairs committee, split on President Wilson's request for auhority in the international situation. failed today to report out the Floor (Concluded on Page Twelve, ColumneSix)

19 PASSENGERS DIE IN SLEEPER STRUCK BY FAST FREIGHT TRAIN

Pennsylvania Road Has Bad Wreck - Freight Engineer Misread Signal.

Altoona, Pa., Feb. 27. - (U. P.) Every passenger, 19 in all, in the Pullman sleeper Bellwood was killed this morning, when the Mercantile Express on the Pennsylvania railroad, which had stopped at Mount Union for minor repairs to the brakes, was run into by a fast freight train.

The engineer of the freight, Cash of Harrisburg, and a Pullman porter on another car, received minor hurts. They were the only persons reported injured

Chester A. Minds, wealthy coal operator and former University of Pennsylvania track star, was killed with his whole family, including his young wife, baby, two relatives and a nurse. They were on their way to Utica to attend the funeral of Mrs. Minds' father Minds was a brother of Jack Minds, Pennsylvania football star. List of Dead Given.

known dead are: CHARLES LEVINE, New York. P. N. BRIGHT, Pullman porter, P. J. KELLY, Brooklyn. H. A. LOEFLER, Plattsville, Wis C. A. MINDS, WIFE AND ONE CHILD, Raney, Pa. MRS, MORT OWEN,

RICHARD OWEN, Raney DOTTIE OWEN, 6, niece of Minds. GENE OWEN, 4, niece of Minds. M. A. CALFISH, 20, brother of Mrs finds, Raney. MRS, SEGUR DELLING, Cleveland with Minds' party. ROTON HYMES, 474 West One

Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, New York PHILIP POLAND, New York. T. R. MANNING, Plattsville, Wis. MANNING'S BRIDE, who had (Concluded on Page Five, Column Three)

Fit for Service

ontained in four measures enacted

y the legislature, together with addi-

ional enterprises of the Portland port

determination that this port shall not

Underlying the plan is a common

less well equipped nor higher in

House bill 512 authorized the Por

or charter ships for world trade and

steamboats for river transportation

to build coal bunkers, oil, ore and bal

Senate resolution 13 submitted to

ote of the people an amendment pro

the amendment would be submitted at

the general election of 1918, but John

McCourt, who drafted the measure

that the amendment can go on the spe-

(Concluded on Page Five, Column Six)

Join British Otherwise,

By Lowell Mellett.

There was no suggestion of mock

Austin Hoy cabled President Wilson

be avenged, and requesting the

Otherwise, he declared, he would

today demanding that the death of

Mrs. Mary Hoy and Miss Elizabeth

privilege of being the first volunteer

if a citizen army was raised in Amer-

cable to the chief executive of the

United States followed a consultation

with American Ambassador Walter

Hines Page and Consul General Skin-

ner today, which, he said, convinced him he had the right thus to act.

"I am an American business man," Hoy explained. "I have been in Lon-

don in business for four years, rep-

resenting the Sullivan Machinery com-

volves upon me, as the active head of

"I beg that you won't consider me

the family, to see that this outrage

in a mock heroic role. But I intend

to enlist, because I could not expect

their lives in avenging this wrong,

of the Union army. He enlisted in

1861 and served throughout the Civil

war, becoming an assistant surgeon.

"My 84-year-old father is a veteran

"Father is now too old, and it

enlist in the British army.

nd dock commissions.

by dredging.

sts than any competitor.

Members of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club are being urged to under Four Measures Passed by go a physical examination at the local ecruiting stations that it may be de Legislature Make It Postermined whether they are fit for milisible for Portland to Retain As explained by Dr. Leslie Clough physical director of the club, to the Preeminence as Exporter.

night, the examination is for the purpose of finding physical defects which may be corrected and the men made BULK ELEVATOR ACT TO fit for active service should hostilities BE VOTED ON IN JUNE Major M. B. Marcellus of the Oregon

National Guard explained the details of the examination and the federal re quirements. He said that while the Pilotage and Dock Charges to government sought the healthiest men those absolutely physically fit, Be Made Same as Other there were many places in the service for those with slight physical defects Coast Places. cited the engineering corps, hospital corps, and commissary departments as places for men who had slight physical disabilities. A great port development plan is

Schmid Would Force Portland to Pay

Urge Clubmen

to Find Out If

urpose Is to Enable Correction of

Any Slight Physical

ousiness men's gymnasium classes last

ary service.

Mandamus Proceedings Brought in the Supreme Court for Money Alleged of Portland commission to buy, sel Due on Condemnation Proceedings.

Salem, Or., Feb. 27.-Mandamus roccedings to compel the city of last docks, and under senate bill 170 to Portland to pay Charles D. Schmid, extend the harbor to Columbia slough \$1078 alleged to be due on the conngton street, at Lownsdale, were Attorneys Harrison Allen and John lines. By the terms of the resolution The city condemned the frontage of

Schmid's property for the purpose of street and the jury gave it as his impression this morning awarded Schmid \$8460 damages. After \$1000 benefits against the remainder of Schmid's property and withheld that sum from the judgment awarded him contends that the full amount of his jadgment against the city should be paid him, as it was intended to be ove and above the benefits to be derived from the improved street.

Greenfield Demurrer Overruled. Salem, Or., Feb. 27 .- Demurrer was overruled today by the supreme court in the disbarment proceedings brought by the Multnomah Bar association I. R. Greenfield lawyer. Greenfield was given 10 days in which to file an answer on the merits of the case.

Candy, Cigars and Soap in Boy's Loot

While Patrolman W. A. Cash lingered a few blocks distant from the store, roige, determined mannered, successlace pharmacy at Thirty-seventh street Hoy, 36, urged his right upon Prestand Hawthorne avenue early this dent Wilson today to avenge the killing of his mother and his sister. morning and stole \$60 worth of candy, cigars and soap. An army packsack containing two thirds of the loot was heroics in his manner. He was deadly calm, despite the fury of his feelings against those whom he charged with from the store. their death. Patrolman Cash saw the boys come

from the store when he was a block fuller and more direct authority than away. He thought at first they were special delivery mail mesengers, but on reaching the store, found that it had been broken into and robbed Commandeering a passing automobile, he started in pursuit of the thieves, who had riden away on blcycles, but was unable to find them.

Coeur d'Alene Miners Ask Higher Wages

Wallace, Idaho, Feb. 27 .- (P. N. S.) -For the first time since 1899, labor s showing dissatisfaction in the Coeur d'Alene mining district. Four hundred employes of the Morning mine at Mullan, owned by the Federal Mining & Smelting company, a subsidiary of the American Smelting

& Refining company, at a meeting last night decided to ask for higher wages that other Americans would offer and shorter hours. The men now are getting \$3.50 a day with \$1 a day bonus. The miners de-

lare they are working more than eight hours a day, and that if a strike is the Nineteenth Wisconsip regiment in called it will spread to many other About 6360 miners are employed in Father was born at New Haven, Ohio,

and my mother at Galena, Ohio." Bill to Give President Power

pany of Chicago.

does not go unavenged

unless I did likewise.

Washington, Feb. 27.—(1. N. S.)— meeting the expenditures herein aufoliowing is the text of the administration measure introduced in the house last night by Representative on the credit of the United States and house last night by Representative Flood, chairman of the committee on foreign affairs:

enacted by the senate and nouse of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assemoled, that the president of the United States is hereby authorized and empowered to supply merchant ships, the property of citizens of the United States and hearing American registry, with defensive arms, should it, in his judgment, become necessary for him to do so, and also with the necessary ammunition and means of making use of them in defense against unlawful attack, and that he be and is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such other instrumentalities and methods as may, in his judgment and discretion, seem necessary and adequate to protect such ships and the citizens of the United States in their awful and peaceful pursuits on the Section 2 .- The sum of \$100,000,000

is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended by the resident of the United States for the purpose herein stated, the said sum to be available until the first day of January, 1918, and the president is au-thorized to transfer so much thereof

to issue therefor bonds of the United States, not exceeding in the aggregate \$1J0.000,000, said bonds to be in such form and subject to such terms and conditions as the secretary of the form and subject to such terms and conditions as the secretary of the treasury may prescribe, and to bear interest at the rate not exceeding 3 ner annum, provided that interest at the rate not exceeding 3 per cent per annum, provided that such bonds shall be sold at not less than par, shall not carry the circulating privilege, and that all citizens of the United States shall be given an equal opportunity to subscribe therefor; but no commission shall be allowed or paid thereon, that both principal and interest shall be payable in United States gold coin of the present standard of value, and be exempt from all taxation and duties of the United States, as well as from taxation in any States, as well as from taxation in any form of all state, municipal, local au-thorities; that any bonds issued hereunder may, under such conditions as the secretary of the treasury may pre-scribe, be convertible into bonds bear-ing a higher rate of interest than 3 per cent per annum if any bonds shall be issued by the United States at a higher rate than 3 per centum per annum by virtue of any act passed on or before December 31, 1918. Section 4.—In order to pay the necbe available until the first day of January, 1918, and the president is authorized to transfer so much thereof as he may deem necessary to the bureau of war risk insurance, created by act of congress approved September 2, 1914, for the purpose of insuring vessels, their freight, passage moneys and cargoes against loss or damage by the present risk of war.

Section 4.—In order to pay the necessary expenses connected with the raid issue of bonds, or any conversions of one per centum of the amount of one per centum of the amount of bonds herein authorized be issued or which may be converted, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended as the secretary of the

Lost His Train, **But Saved His** \$200 Bank Roll

Cowboy Battles Holdups on Back Platform of Train Until He Falls Off.

Held up in a smoking compartment of a fast Pennsylvania passenger train today by two men, Joseph Rose, a cowboy of Butte, Mont., en route to New York, battled with the holdup men until he fell from the rear plat form of the train. He lay for several hours unconscious along the track before recovering. He was found wan dering along the road near here and taken to the Westmoreland hospital where he is in a serious condition. He saved his roll of \$200.

Judge Bradshaw Reversed in His Decision That \$260,

Salem, Or., Feb. 27,-The, \$260,000 road bond issue voted in Wasco county at the last general election is alid, according to the opinion handed down today by the supreme court. The opinion reversed the decision of filed in the supreme court today by viding for port subsidy of steamship Judge W. L. Bradshaw, who held in a suit brought by O. E. Wilson against the county of Wasco that the bond issue was not valid, because the bonds did not receive a majority of all the votes cast at the election. The returns show that 3921

cial election ballot provided for the were cast for and against the bonds. The majority for the bonds was 101. But for some of the county officers as high as 4351 votes were cast, and the vote cast for the bonds does not equal a majority of that number. "We are of the opinion," says the opinion written by Chief Justice Mc Bride, "that the reason and logic of the controversy are with those courts which hold that the majority of those electors who actually vote upon a plained be did not yet know officially measure is controlling." The court held that the bond elec-

the general election, was a special questions of policy both foreign and election and the vote on other issues domestic-it is to fight and gain a had no relation to the vote on the bond question. After discussing the law, the court says:

Austin Hoy Offers Services to U. S. in Case of War-To tority as expressed by the votes cast at the polls should rule, and to subst .- munitions, food and to distribute these tute for this wholesome and immemoignorant or indifferent silence of a London, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.)-A quiet voter should weigh equally against the vote of the citizen who considers a American business man, Austin measure and expresses his convictions by voting for or against it The decree of the circuit court eversed and the suit is dismissed.

Wasco Boosters Jubilant

The Dalles, Or., Feb. 27 .- Wasco county good roads boosters are jubi lant over the decision of the suprem court handed down this morning reversing the opinion of Judge William Bradshaw. The supreme court declared Wasco county road bonds are legal County Judge Gunning says the county court will immediately readvertise for bids. Clark Kendall company of Portland made one bid on the bonds.

Sewer Cave Nearly Fatal to Laborer

While digging a sewer ditch on the hill on Woodstock avenue near Reed college Monday afternoon about clock, a laborer was almost buried alive when the dirt caved in on him. The man soon came back to consciousness, after being dug out of the dirt by Reed college professors, who had been summoned. He was not injured.

One Man Filibuster Threatens Navy Bill

Washington, Feb. 27 .- (U. P.) -- The administration's great \$500,000,000 naval bill—the largest single national land, representing the Third congressdefense measure ever framed, is threatened with delay and possible defeat through a one man fillbuster by Senator La Follette, it was learned his afternoon.

Army Adopts Star Spangled Banner As Nation's Anthem

"The Star-Spangled Banner" * is the American national air. At least, it is as far as the United States army is con-cerned, a recent order of the war department designating Francis Scott Key's historic composition as the national anthem, New army regulations fust

received here by Colonel Samuel

R. Jones, United States quartermaster, fix "The Star-Spangled Banner' definitely, under the date of January 8, 1917. The regulations also provide that no army musician shall play the national anthem in a medley or other musical composition, and its playing is prescribed for military reviews and other ceremonials.

For years the nation has been racked by a controversy as to which is the national air, "The Star-Spangled Banner" or "America." For the army, at last, it is to be "The Star-Span-*********

ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

German Chancellor Addresses Reichstag and Says Method by Which America Ended Relations "Brusque."

EFFECT OF SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN DISCUSSED

President Wilson's Course Referred to as Inconsistent and Friendly to Ally.

7 .-- (U. P.) -- German Chancellor vor reichstag today that President Willcon's action in breaking off relations with Germany was "unprecedented He characterized the method by which America terminated friendly intercourse as "brusque." He drew a parallel beween President Wilson's course in the Mexican imbroglio of 1913 and the German situation after the start of the

The chancellor called attention to President Wilson's notification to congress in 1913 that he would "follow international usage" and put an em bargo on shipment of arms to both factions in Mexico. But a year later, the chancellor said, these "usages apparently were no more considered good." Hollweg dilated on the "count less" war material shipped from Amer ica to Germany's enemies

Abruptness Causes Surprise. The chancellor referred to America's nsistence upon right of American citizens freely to travel to France, and England, but he declared "the same right of American citizens toward the central powers did not seem to be worthy of protection and as valuable. The chancellor found fault with the abruptness of Gerard's recall and com why America had broken off relations. "There is only one necessity of the tion, although at the same time as day," he declared. "It dominates all

Fight Is Only Alternative. "While our soldiers on the front think it was not the intention stand in the drumfire of the trenches of the legislature to depart from the and our submarines, defying death, rule observed from the foundation of hasten through the seas, while we at our state government, that the ma- home have no other-absolutely no other task but to produce cannons, amrial practice, the requirement that the this struggle for the life and future of victuals with justice-in the midst of our empire, intensified to an extreme, there is only one necessity of the day It dominates all questions of policy both foreign and domestic-and that

is to fight and gain a victory." (Concluded on Page Fifteen, Column Five)

GOVERNOR IS DECIDED ON PERSONNEL OF NEW STATE HIGHWAY BOARD

Now Waiting to Get Acceptances Before Publishing Names of His Appointees.

Governor Withycombe has, it is genrally understood, decided upon personnel of the new state highway commission, which he was authorized to appoint under the new state highway act, and is now waiting to receive formal acceptances before making the names of his appointees public.

The commission which the decision of the governor is reported to have settled upon will be composed of the following: E. J. Adams of Eugene representing the First congressional district; W. L. Thompson of Pendleton, representing the Second congresssional district, and S. Benson of Ports is sional district. Under the provisions of the law the

choice of the governor was restricted

to one member from each congressional district. Mr. Benson was a member of the advisory committee of the old commission and has been prominent in better oad agitation for several years. Mr. Thompson is president of the American National bank of Pendleton and has taken an active interest in political affairs, being generally recognized as one of the Republican leaders of his section. He was a member of

Pacific exposition. He has also beer active in good roads development in Imatilla county, Mr. Adams is comparatively a new citizen of Oregon, and is not so well known as Mr. Benson or Mr. Thompson. He has been locally prominent as an advocate of highway development and during the recent session of the legislature was in almost constant attendance urging road legislation.

the Oregon commission at the Panama-

Mr. Adams is a native of Michigan and practiced law in Grand Rapids for many years. He is 50' years of age. He was elected to the legislature of that state in 1897, and was speaker of the house of representatives the next year. Later he was chosen one of 96 men to revise the constitution of the state. Mr. Adams came west to Aberdeen. Wash., 10 years ago, and prac-ticed law and engaged in the building business there two years. He went from there to Seattle and came to Eugene six years ago. He has been engaged in the building business at In his political affiliations he is a Republican, as are Benson and Thomp-