"IT'S ALL HERE

Senate Rule for 109 Years, Making Filibustering Possible, May Pass Into History Within 48 Hours.

"WILFUL TWELVE" AT END OF RESOURCES

Senator Sherman Reiterates Approval of Proposed Armed Neutrality.

'Washington, March 8 .- (U. P.) The cloture amendment to the senate rules carried this afternoon by a vote of 76 to 3.

Washington, March 8 .- (U. P.) Senator La Follette began his expected attack on the proposed senate cloture late today, declaring that "an iron hand from the outside is about to be placed on this congress, which in three years has degenerated to a mere rubber stamp."

La Follette made slight references to the neutrality bill fight of Satur-

that in a more ample way at a later date." he said. He then told of the great appropria tion bills which he claimed were rushed to congress at the last minute, the army

illi containing provisions "never dared before to be presented to an American Washington, March 8 .- (U. P.)-The

debate-the rule for 109 years-may pass into history within 48 hours-This was indicated today when the wilful 12" senators who, in the closing hours of the congress, blocked President Wilson's plans for armed

neutrality, admitted no means re-

mained at their command of further

hindering passage of the rule. With unlimited weeks before the sen-ate, the "wilful brethren" abandoned hope of gaining their ends by con-ued filibuster. While several will tinued filibuster. tinued fillbuster. While several will to the detectives, in order to protect take the floor to make their position clear before the country, their now the defense will try to prove that amous last stand is a thing of the

President's Statement Attacked.

Bitter denunciation by Senator Sher man of President Wilson's statement grudge he held against them. that it would be useless to call an ex-

This, he said, was sufficient evidence stand. of "hostile intent, whether it would It is estimated that Billingsley's who are now heaping abuse upon the heads of 'the wilful' after they them-

selves had connived in the fillbuster." Since a filibuster could not in an extra session prevent passage of the armed neutrality bill, Sherman held the president "is merely taking advantage of the present crisis to permanently alter the senate rules."

American lives by discrediting the few (Concluded on Page Five, Column Four)

## BAGDAD IS ABOUT TO FALL INTO HANDS OF

Head of British Military Operations Says Ancient City congressional circles, which will deprive of postoffice patronage. Cannot Be Defended.

By Ed. L. Keen.

London, March 8 .- (U. P.) -The ancient city of Bagdad, since 1638 held by the Turks, is about to fall into British hands. Its capture by the British Mesopotamian force is a foregore conclusion. Official reports today put the British cavalry within 12 miles of the ancient capital. The city cannot be defended," de-

clared General F. B. Maurice, in charge of military operations in an interview granted the United Press tolay, "I expect the Turks to make a defense at a point about six miles from the city. If they are defeated, they have no recourse but to retreat

Bagdad, singularly enough, has been long known as Dar-es-Selam-"City of Peace." During the last weeks it has been threatened in two directions by allied forces-by the British, pushing forward from the south, and by the Russian forces of Grand Duke Nicholas, who are now around Hamadan, to the west of the Turkish city.

If Bagdad falls, the victory will be a tremendous blow at Turkish prestige. The city is the very center of Arabic traditions, having been founded early in the eighth century. It

ENATOR MARTIN of Vir ginia, who introduced cloture measure in the United States senate today.



# MASTER BOOTLEGGER **WILL TESTIFY AGAINST**

"I shall have an opportunity to do Government Expects to Prove That Seattle City Officials Were in Conspiracy.

Seattle, Wash., March 8 -- (U. P.) -Logan Billingsley, chief witness for the government in its conspiracy case sacred senate prerogative of limitless against Mayor Hiram Gill, Chief of Police Beckingham, ex-Sheriff Robert Hodge and four city detectives, is \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* itesimal. scheduled to take the stand today as first witness in what is probably the most sensational case in Seattle's

history.
Billingsley, according to prosecuting officers, as director of a syndicate of liquor smugglers, is expected to tes-tify that he paid \$4000 to the mayor \$1200 to the chief of police, \$1500 to the sheriff's gubernational campaign fund, and regular percentage payments

Billingsley ingeniously manufacture1 cvidence with which he baited the gov- for several years been advocating a rnment authorities and directed them against the officials, because of a

Billingsley, 30 years of age, came ate rules were amended marked the opening of the battle for a cloture amendment.

Seattle when the state went dry and smuggled and wholesaled whiskey on an enormous scale. Two of his whistra session of congress until the sen- Seattle when the state went dry and Sherman, however, reiterated his approval of armed neutrality, declaring police axe. Two policemen and Billingsley's Japanese warehouse watching justified by the German methods of man were killed in a gunfight during key-selling drug stores fell under the unrestricted submarine warfare and one encounter. He is expected to spend the "Kaiser-Mikade-Carranza plot." at least three days on the witness

have come to any practical end or not." whiskey operations netted him more He also took a fling at Republicans than a quarter of a million dollars in less than a year.

#### Civil Service For All Postmasters

"He is seeking to absolve himself As Their Commissions Expire They from his long delay in protecting Must Take Examinations and Chances Must Take Examinations and Chances With Other Aspirants Under Bules, Washington, March 8 .- (WASHING-

ON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)-All postmasters as their commissions expire must take their chances with other aspirants in civil service tests. and the highest man will be appointed under the plan which the administration is expecting to put in force April for confirmation as at present as a

master may be exempted from the civil service, all others in the county re porting to him.

It is announced that the plan has been received with conflicting views in congressional circles, which will be The Oregon senators apparently are well satisfied to have the merit sys-

#### Villistas Victors in Two Engagements

El Paso, Texas, March 8 .- (I. N. S.) -Villistas were victorious in two battles with Carranzistas south of Juarez today and a troop train of General Murguia's command was driven back to Juarez with many casualties. General Murguia said he would obtain reinforcements and return south. One battle took place near Pearson, another only a few miles from Juarez. A large force of Carranzistas is moving east in the direction of Fort Hancock to give battle to Villistas who have demanded the surrender of Juarez. They are commanded by Per-

#### Department Names **Examination Dates**

Washington, March 18 .- (I. N. S.)-Washington, March 18.—(1. N. S.)—
The war department announced that has remained unbrokenly Arabic and Turkish through all the centuries since that time, except for a brief period in the thirteenth century, when the Mongols seized it Bagdad is where the famous Haroun al Raschid famed in song and story, once heid famed in song and story, once heid forth.

Washington, March 18.—(1. N. S.)—
The war department announced that the mental announced that the mental announced that the mental announced that the mental and physical examination for entrance to West Point will be held on March 20 at 13 military posts throughout the country. Among these the Mongols seized it Bagdad is where the famous Haroun al Raschid famed in song and story, once heid famed in song and story of the famed in song and sto

**Believes Congress Would Not** Hesitate to Grant to President Any Authority Which
He Himself Could Use. He Himself Could Use.

OPPOSES FILIBUSTER, ALSO PROPOSED RULE

Would Have Majority End Debate: Modification of Bill Approved.

Objections were not to giving

am against filibustering. Is there anything treasonable

authority to President Wilson, but related to the language em-The public has such complete confidence in the president, congress would not hesitate to con-

fer upon him any power he could himself use, but the presi-

dent can't ride on ships or handle guns. A gunner would be under immediate direction of a ship owner who may have a large pecunlary interest in landing a con-

traband cargo.

A law should be enacted withholding clearance from any belligerent ships carrying American passengers to Europe. Why should our government permit the United States to be drawn into war by the felly of any American citizen who so disregards his country's welfare as to travel upon a belligerent

The United Press asked William Jennings Bryan, former secretary of state and foremost Bryan, former secrettry of state and foremost peace advocate, for a statement of his views on the situation in the United States senate, which he wrote as follows: By William Jennings Bryan.

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Miama, Fla., March 8. - (U. P.) Answering your inquiry. I beg to call attention to the fact that there are two questions instead of one. The first involves the filibuster and the second the merits of the proposed legislation.
I am against fillbustering and have (Continued on Page Five, Column Two)

## STILL MISSING; ALL OF ACCOUNTS STRAIGHT

Money Before He Left Sat- day. urday for Portland.

Forest Grove, Or., March 8 .- Local relatives have received no word from Earl O. Buxton, cashier of the First National bank of this city, and well known lodgeman. His accounts at the bank are all square, and there is almost \$500 still in the bank to Mr. Buxton's credit.

Names will be sent to the senate bank, told The Journal correspondent that he could see absolutely no motive BRITISH, EXPECTATION The plan also is said to include the designation of one office in each county as a main postoffice, where the postaccount before he left home Saturday. expressing his intention of going to Portland on business.

His father, H. T. Buxton, well known itizen and former director of the Forest Grove schools, is making every effort to locate his son. Earl Buxton is 32 years of age and was assistant postmaster of Forest Grove under Dr. Charles Hines. He resigned that position to go to the bank, where he had been about four

Known in Portland. Portland authorities have no infor-

mation that might explain the disappearance of Mr. Buxton. Inquiry made at all leading hotels shows that Buxton has not registered at any of the hostelries since last Saturday. Pinkerton and Burns local detective agency branches have been assured that Mr. Buxton's accounts with the Forest Grove bank are in good condi-tion and they are making no effort to trace him. Mr. Buxton is under bonds issued by the American Surety com-& Trust company, but officers of that concern said that the policy had lapsed. Everett street.

Oregon City Clue Collapses Oregon City, March 8 .- Sheriff G. . Applegate of Washington county, Oregon, was in this city late Wednes-

## 'Wilful" Dozen Are Defended By Sen. Norris VILLA

"If This Is Treason Then Make the Most of It," He Declares in Speech Today.

Washington, March 8.—(U. P.)— Senator Norris of the "wilful twelve" hotly defended the obstructionist

tion was dumped on to congress in its last minutes purposely when no time remained for even a reading of the "If the protest of this wilful group against this rush action on the part the majority is filibustering, then I am a filibusterer. If this is treason, then make the most of it. I have no

apologies to make."

Norris, then declared in favor of Senator Norris declared the president did a great wrong to the men who were conscientiously trying to "do their duty."

# MAN IS DYING FROM

rank Powers Brought Portland but Hope of Saving Him Is Slight.

Frank Powers, suffering from hydrophobia in a highly developed form, was brought to Portland this morning from Hay Creek, 12 miles from Mad- any circumstances. ras, where he was bitten 10 days ago agreement was reached that by a rabid covote. Under the care of of war Villa would send small bands as Dr. Roberg of the state board of health, his condition at St. Vincent's hospital is exceedingly grave, with lional line and to make sporadic forays prospects for recovery almost infin-

among Powers' nerve centers.

Powers is associated with the Baldwin Sheep company of Madras. Ten enable Villa to pay his men, secure days ago he went to the rescue of a ammunition and to build up his shatvaluable dog which was being attacked by a coyote. He drove off the coyote him on the hand, Three days later Powers

plained of feeling ill and nervous, and soon afterward the definite symptoms of hydrophobia began to develop. Inasmuch as the normal course of de-velopment is from 10 days to two weeks, Dr. Roberg says the case-is

unusually violent. Yesterday his associates decided to take him to a doctor at Madras, but he became so unmanageable that he had to be handcuffed. The Madras doctor gave him an opiate, and he was brought to Portland today.

The Pasteur treatment saves all patients who begin it before the incubation period of the disease has passed, Dr. Roberg said. But it requires 21 days, with daily injections of antitoxin, which are increased progressively. Powers is being given almost the maximum strength of the serum right Drew \$2000 of His Own maximum strength of the serum right from the start in hope that the poison may be neutralized even at this late

#### Americans Allowed To Leave Belgium

Washington, March 8 .- (U. P.) -- Germany is permitting Americans to resulted in the capture of 17 English-leave Belgium freely. Minister Whit- men and Frenchmen and several malock at Brussels informed the state department today that no one is detained though immediately after the break subordinate officials did detain Roy Hesseltine, vice-president of the some Americans, inasmuch as they had

> Quarantine Period Expires. Washington, March 8 .- (I, N. S.)-The quarantine under which the Yarrowdale prisoners have been held by

#### Germany expired today. China Will Declare War, British Report

ish correspondents in Peking assert that the president of China has finally ylelded to the wishes of his cabinet and will approve severance of diplomatic relations with Germany. Tien Tain correspondent of the Morning Post reported today that the rupture will take place at an early date and will be followed by a declaration

#### Les Darcy Can Not Appear in New York

Albany, N. Y., March 8.—(U. P.)—Governor Whitman after a conference pany. He formerly carried a life in-surance policy with the Columbia Life at the executive mansion here today with Les Darcy and Grant Hugh He is said to be accousin of Municipal Garden, declared he would not recede Judge John H. Stevenson. Mrs. Daisy an inch from the position he took Sloane, another cousin, resides at 533 when he refused to allow the Australian pugilist the privilege of boxing in New York state,

#### Fifteen Ships Sunk In Mediterranean

Agents of Imperial Government Said to Have Approached Bandit Chief at Bustillo Ranch in February

ARGE SUM OF CASH REPORTED INVOLVED

Other Representatives Said to Have Endeavored to Line Up Carranza.

By Webb Miller.

Laredo, Texas, March 8 .- (l'. P.) -ermany is playing Villa against Carranza. Great sums of German money re pouring into the bandit leader ands, inciting him to activity against the United States and against Car-ranza, while at the same time German, agents work through officials of the Carranza government seeking to align that side against the United States. Just back from a trip into the inerior of Mexico I can state these fact, on the highest authority:

Agents of the German government in Mexico approached Francisco Villa si his headquarters at Bustillo's ranch about February 12, with a proposition to renew his raids on the border in case of a declaration of war between the United States and Germany. Two German agents reached the bandit leader. The conference extended over

Villa Gradually Won Over. At first Villa demurred against any attack on the border, in force, under ly separated points along the internao harass American troops.

Under the terms of the agreement the German agents promised to pay to counteract the effects of the virus Villa 500,000 pesos (\$250,000) in gold that for days has been developing at once to seal the compact. He re-Villa 500,300 pesos (\$250,000) in gold Dr. | fused to enter into the plot until the Roberg stated that he has one chance first payment was handed over. They in a thousand, agreed to pay a large amount each month thereafter in case of war, to tered forces for a campaign.
After orders from Foreign Secretary but not before the animal had bitten Zimmerman reached Mexico City for an attempt to arrange an alliance with

## HAZY WEATHER WITH SNOWSTORMS HALTS **WESTERN OPERATIONS**

Russian Train Is Blown From Track in Bombardment; Fronts Generally Quiet,

Berlin, March 8 .- (I. N. S.) -Via Sayfille Wireless.-Hazy weather and snowstorms have interfered with opoffice announced today. German reconnoitering advances batween the Somme and the Oise rivers

chine guns, the statement sa'd. On the eastern front a Russian rail way train was bombarded and blown from the tracks but no important fight ing occurred. Only outpost skirmished were reported on the Macedonian front

The text of the statement follows: "Western war theatre-Only on the Champagne region was there violent artillery fire. On other fronts, during hazy weather and snow storms, it was generally quiet. During reconnoitering advances between the Somme and the Oise 17 Englishmen and Frenchmen and several machine guns were brought

"Eastern war theatre-There was no fighting action of importance.
"Macedonian front—North of Doiran Lake outpost skirmishes occurred."

Germans Taken Prisoner. Paris, March 8 .- (U. P.) -Frenct forces took German prisoners in actions at three different places on the

today declared. "Between the Oise and the Aisne very lively artillery actions con-tinued," it stated. "During the night northwest of Embermenil, in Lorraine, the French raided German trenches and brought back prisoners.

### Commissions Given To Six Portlanders W. D. Fenton Asks

Judge Gantenbein and Others Have Received Their Commissions as Offi. cers in U. S. A. Reserve Corps.

Included are: C. U. Gantenbein, colonel of infantry; E. C. Mears, captain and quartermaster; G. Seaton Taylor, captain and quartermaster, second class; Ross B. Cooper, captain 60,000 pounds of potatoes. quartermaster's corps; Carl J. Zinck,

lated throughout the country would impel haste in taking up the matter.

RISH NATIONALIST LEADERS—John Redmond (left) and John Dillon, who oppose Lloyd George's plan for settling the "home rule" question by not forcing Ulster to accept with other Irish counties.



# BECAUSE IT PLEADED THE CAUSE OF PEOPLE

Enmity to Journal for Its Course Against Graft.

Because it sought to save for the taxpayers of the state the useless expenditure of thousands of dollars annually in the publication of delinquent tax lists, the "legislative committee" of the Oregon State Editorial association is attempting to persuade that segment of the up-state press loyal to the graft to boycott The Journal. The suggestion of the "legislative committee, composed of Elbert Bede of Cottage Grove and Bert R. Greer of Ashland, is contained in a report made to "the newspapers of Oregon," reviewing the activities of Bede, Green and Phil S. Bates during the recent

#### (Concluded on Page Nine, Column Two) Cabinet Minister

Sir Edward Carson Says Suggestion to Be Digregarded. London, March 8 .- (U. P.) -- More

the Aldwych club in stating "the peo- coercion would not be employed to ple's food is really threatened."

The cabinet minister took a shapp

to suggestion as to use of England's navy. "We cannot afford to gamble western front, the official statement with the fleet. If we failed, it would mean the end of the British empire. "I am neither a pessimist nor a coward, but we must face the facts and not allow the people suddenly to be confronted with a situation not anticipated-because remedies conceived in panic lead to revolution "England will fight and endure, despite German measures."

## Reopening of Case

ens, to reopen the case of George A. Webster, his client, against L. R. Parz, Charles Kane, and others, to compel fulfillment of a contract for a sale of

The court had stated its inclination Wednesday to dismiss the suit by dis-solving the receivership. Another case was being heard at the time of Fenton's plea today and Judge Gatens took the matter under advisement. Fenton said that disclosures of the alleged corrupt practices being circu-

# BITTER OPPOSITION ON HOME RULE QUESTION

Editorial Lobby Bespeaks Its Irish Nationalists Withdraw From Commons as Protest Against His Suggestion.

> London, March 8 .- (U. P.) - Members of the Irish party, who last night forced to an issue in the house of commons the question of home rule for Ireland, today issued a manifesto ask ing Irish-Americans and Americans generally to aid them in the move-

The appeal pleaded for pressure to be application to Ireland of the principles cabin in the Harney Holes section, exerted on the British government for as to self-government enunciated by Mrs. J. J. Bailey, a homesteader near President Wilson in his famous peace Millican, was brought into Bend last speech to the United States senate.

London, March 8 .- (U. P.) -For the first time since he assumed the pre- hood. miership, Lloyd George faced today a bitter opposition from the minority. alleges that he was lured to the Bailey How far that minority will go in its cabin by a message carried by Mrs. opposition is expected to be decided Bailey's 14-year-old son, making the

Advises Caution over the Irish home rule question, he was overpowered by Mrs. Balley Yesterday's debates in the house of and the boy. The complaint regites commons was the most bitter in that he was tied and kept prisoner in months. - It resulted in formal with- the cabin for 30 hours, and that while Gamble With England's Pleet Should drawal from the sitting of the Irish in captivity, Mrs. Bailey abstracted the Nationalists as a protest against the note from one of his inside pockets. form of settlement of the perplexing Rawlings is nearly 80 years of ago. frastic restriction in imports was pre- question suggested by the premierdicted by Sir Edward Carson, first lord that home rule could be had by any of the admiralty, today, in a speech at part of Ireland desiring it, but that

force U.ster's acquiescence. The Irish Nationalists were to meet U. S. Ambassador iling at "Amateur strategists." today in conference. Speculation on "Disregard those who are impatient what the party members would vote today in conference. Speculation on nd ready to gamble," he said, referring ranged from predictions that they would formally withdraw from the house to guesses that they would continue in commmons, but adopt a policy of active opposition to Premier Lloyd George in 'an attempt to force a general election.

Several London newspapers, commenting on the situation which the premier now faces in the Irish situation, deplored his statement of government policy yesterday as one calculated to arouse opposition, and attack John Redmond, Irish leader, for

More Disorders Predicted.

London, March 8,-(I, N. S.)-New the news. disorders, possibly, more serious than In order to present matter in refer- the Dublin rebellion, will break out in ence to a secret agreement alleged to Ireland and imperil England's chances Commissions in the officers' reserve exist among produce and commission of winning the world war unless the corps of the regular army have been men of San Francisco, W. D. Fentor. government speedily reconsiders its received by a number of Portland men. this afternoon appealed to Judge Gatdecision and grants home rule for all Ireland Irish leaders in the house of com-

mons made this prediction today as they went into conference to decide what course they are to pursue. Berlin Reports on Divers. Berlin, March 8 - (I. N. S.) - (Via

ON TRAINS AND NEWS

Portland Dock Commission Goes on Record as Ready to Help Any Community on Columbia or Willamette.

URGENT DEMAND FOR AN INCREASE OF COMMERCE

Engineer Is Authorized to Assist Any Point in Providing Waterfront Facilities.

The Portland commission of public docks is ready to help any community on the Columbia or Willamette rivers in plans for docks or facilities for water transportation. By unanimous vote this morning the

commission adopted the following resan urgent demand to foster and increase the commerce of the port; and "Whereas, The development and more extended use of the inland wa-

terways will materially aid in such increase of the port's business, therefore "Resolved, That the engineer of the ommission be authorized to confer with and give such personal assistance to communities desiring to provide was terfront facilities for the better and more economical handling of river freight as his other and regular duties

will permit." Hood Biver Offer Extended.

The resolution which was submitted by Dock Commissioner John H. Bur-A. H. Averill, extends to other communities of the Columbia and Wills the same offer as was made recognized that a vital essential in promoting river transportation is the building of proper docks or landing towns, and the expression of the com mission this morning was that it will do all in its power to aid the movement, so that docks may be uniform economically built and constructed with reference to the public dock facilities at Portland, provided at an expense of \$2,500,000. It was said this morning that river husiness at the care side public dock is increasing in a very

satisfactory way. At its meeting this morning, the (Concluded on Page Five Column Four

## HOMESTEADER, EIGHTY, **ALLEGES WOMAN HELD** HIM CABIN PRISONER

L. A. Rawlings Causes Arrest of Mrs. J. J. Bailey Upon Charge of Larceny of Note

Bend, Or., March 8 .- Arrested by Deputy Sheriff O. O. King, at her night, charged with larceny of a \$500 note from L. A. Rawlings, an aged rancher living in the same neighbor-

The complaint filed by Rawlings, promise that she would pay up on the Mrs. Bailey is about 40 years old. Mrs. Bailey denies the charge, and says that it is all the result of Bailey's "jealousy."

## To Japan Is Dead

George Guthrie Has Passed Away in Tokio, According to a Cablegram Beceived at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 8 .- (U. P.)-

George Guthrie, United States ambas

sador to Japan, is dead, according to

announcement at his law office here

this afternoon. It was said there that a cablegram reporting his death in Tokio had been received. Further information was withheld, Colonel R. W. Guthrie, a brother of the ambassador, would not make any statement immediately after receipt of

Washington, March 8.—(U. P.)—American Ambassador Guthrie at Tokio died suddenly today of apoplexy, according to a cablegram to the state lepartment this afternoon.

Apoplexy Cause of Death.

#### Food Cost Will Not Be Gone Into Now

Sayville Wireless)-During a recent Washington, March 8 .- (U. P.) -- The time German submarines have sunk 21 Federal Trade commission will not un-steamers, 10 saling vessels and 16 dertake the food cost order by Presi-fishing craft of a total of 21,000 gross dent Wilson because of the failure of congress to appropriate the necessary money, it was announced today, tons, it was officially announced to-