# NO REASON FOR PANIC IN FUEL MART, SAYS COMMISSION REPORT

Federal Trade Commission Takes Steps to Check the Movement in America.

#### FACTS WILL BE GIVEN OUT

Report Says Present Prices Are Mot Warranted by Cost of Production, Taking Issue With Jobbers.

Washington, May 5 .- (I. N. S.)-A "buying panie" which will play into the hands of retailers and jobbers and cost the American public millions is imminent in the anthracite coal industry. The federal trade commission k steps today to check it by placing

the facts before the United States. There is absolutely no excuse for the panic, the commission says, nor for any increase in price. On the contrary, it declares the present prices are in no way warranted by the cost of production. The commission takes sharp issue with jobbers who have declared that they could not make summer discounts. The larger anthracite operators, it finds, will make their day, usual reductions and it says there is no reason why these should not be passed along to the consumers. The commission also promises to create a "black list" of all who take undue advantage of the necessities of the peo-

#### No Beason for Panic.

was unnecessary, the report continues: The commission is able to say there exists now no good reason for a panic in the anthracite market, nor for any increase in the present selling price to consumers. On the contrary, the retail prices generally obtaining today are The wage increase agreed upon on April 26, 1917, will involve an increased cost of production of between 24 and 30 cents a ton The price at which leading operators have announced that they will sell will not exceed this increase. There is no justification for a larger increase to be passed on to the consumer, and these mine prices will not justify retail prices in many instances.

Large Production Decided On. "The new wage scale with the Unit-ed Mine Workers is a beneficial and steadying factor in the industry. The commission has received assurances, both from responsible anthracite operators and from the miners' representatives, that this will be a year of unusually large production. The commission is assured that there is no reason why May prices should not continue for the season and be subject to the usual summer discounts, namely, 49 cents per ton in May, 30 cents in June and 20 cents in July and 10 cents in August.

"The commission believes the custom normally followed by the majority of retailers of passing the benefit of these discounts on to the consume should be followed by the whole trade. "Buy as in Former Years."

"If the public is again so deceived as to indulge in a scramble for coal as occurred last winter, the favorable situation above reported may be nullified. A demand for four months' coal in the single month of May will be most deplorable. If, on the other hand, purchases are made as usual there will be no disturbance and small chance for speculators to fleece the public. The best thing that can happen now is for everyone to buy as has been his custom in former years. Many points must build up their winter supply during the summer when water transportation is available. Transportation will thereby be relieved of undue burdens and the coal will be steadily distributed during the summer against the needs of the win-Former Panic Unwarranted.

'During he coal panic of the winter of 1916 and 1917, one of the greatest factors in the distressing and intolerable condition was the unwarranted and ble condition was the unwarranted and ing the war census in his precinct indefensible practice of using coal He will be authorized and required to cars for warehouses. Coal was held in cars of speculators while shortages of cars was alleged as a cause for fuel shortage. The commission calls your attention also to other activities of crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis, when the integrity and safety of the present national crisis. speculators in anthracite coal who perform no useful service in the distribution of the coal, who insert them selves as a distributing and clogging factor upon the industry and whose unearned profits are much greater than those enjoyed by those of miner operator or honest dealer. These profits, in many instances, more than 100 crisis, when the integrity and safety of the nation is at stake, no objection will be entered by any American citizen to performing this service in the country's interest without pay.

All concerned should be advised that there is no time to be lost and that immediate and energetic action on their part is expected and required.

Acknowledgement of receipt of this communication, together with a statement of the action taken by you. fits, in many instances, more than 109 per cent, were paid by the consumer, together with enormous bills for car yours, emurrage.

Speculators Will be Exposed. "Within the scope of its power this ommission will continue to exert every influence to avert the threatened

recurrence of the conditions obtained in the winter of 1916-17. The commission will expose any unscrupulous wholesalers, jobber or retailer who seeks to mislead the public into a belief that exorbitant prices are justified or that there is any necessity to join in a frenzied bidding to secure immediate delivery for far-future

"The commission will ask the cooperation of the patriotic newspapers of the country, to the end that the public may be kept constantly in-formed of what, in justice and reason, it should be expected to pay for anthracite and as to the volume of the production and stocks on hand existing at such times.

Operators Promise Cooperation. "The commission has assurances from the anthracite operators that in case of local shortages being called to their attention by the commission, the operators will relieve such local stringency immediately."

The report concludes: "The fair retail price is that at the mouth of the mine, plus the cost of freight and the reasonable charge to the consumer by the retailer. The May price of ordinary white ash anthracite, allowing for the 40 per cent discount,

"Egg, gross ton (2240 pounds), \$4.05: net ton (2000 pounds), \$3.61; stove, gross ton, \$4.30; net, \$3.84; chestnut, gross ton, \$4.40; net ton, \$3.93."

Denver Wrapped

# In Snow Blanket

Denver, Colo., May 5.—(U. P.)—This section of "cool Colorado" shivered under a three inch blanket of snow oday. Denver street car traffic was signs of abating at noon,

## Portland Likely to Cease Making Bids To the Government

Local firms have practically decided that bidding on govern-ment contracts for delivery at the Philippines or Hawaii is

Differences amounting to over \$2100 on a 3000 ton order of oats for the Philippines and \$1100 on a 1000 ton order for Hawaiia have been considered too trivial by the government to allow Portland to be considered and a Seattle firm is allowed the order at higher prices.

The Northern Grain & Warehouse company was the low

The Chamber of Commerce immediately wired the quartermaster's department calling attention to its promise of business where bids were low and stating that unless these promises are carried out Portland firms would refuse to consider further any government requests for bids.

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#### CENSUS PLANS ARE ANNOUNCED; EVERY ELIGIBLE REGISTER

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that the cards reach the registrars of their home precincts by registration

Can Register by Mail,

Persons absent from their home ounties may be registered by mail. f so absent, a man should go to the lerk of the county where he may be staying, on the sixth day after the president's proclamation. If he is in city of over 30,000 population the After reviewing the resolution which city clerk is the official to whom to authorized the investigation and de- apply. The absentee will be told how claring that the 1916 buying panic to register, but he must mail his card in time to reach his precinct by registration day.

Persons too ill to present themselves for registration day must send a competent person to the county or city will give instructions for registration.

Form for Institutions. Officials of educational, tharitable and other institutions should apply for instructions to the county of proclamation as to a convenient method of registration. The wardens of jails, penitentaries

county or city clerk for instructions on he sixth day. Five days after the date of the resident's proclamation complete reg-

ulations will be in the hands of all war profits.

sheriffs and of the officials of cities were \$1,160,000,000, since \$700,000,000 of over 30,000 population, The president is authorized to call pon all public officials to assist in the execution of the law. It is expected that patriotic citizens will offer their services free as registrars. Such services will be gratefully acknowl-Volunteers for this service edged.

#### OREGON'S MACHINERY FOR DRAFT CENSUS IS WELL UNDER WAY

he proper official.

should communicate immediately with

War census machinery for the state that such has been the case. of Oregon was set in motion Friday by Adjutant General White with the sending of orders to each sheriff of the state directing him to prepare to utilize the election machinery of his county on a precinct basis for this pur-

The state election on the road bond issue and referred measures takes place on June 4 and the machinery to be employed at that time will be used to take the war census, the date of which is expected to be in advance of the election

The letter to each sheriff reads:

Portland, Or. May 4, 1917.—Sir: You are directed immediately to des-ignate a member of the election board ignate a member of the election board in each voting precinct of — county, Or. as war census marshal.

This official, under your direction and supervision, will be held responsible for execution of the details of taking the execution of the execution of the details of taking the execution of the exec

ment of the action taken by you, is desired within 24 hours. Very truly yours, GEORGE A. WHITE Adjutant General. Voting Places Utilized.

Another letter to each sheriff reads as follows: Portland, Or., May 4, 1917. Sir: It is requested that you proceed immediately to secure in all precincts of ately to secure in all precincts of—county a proper place for the taking of the war census. It is believed that, to avoid confusion, the precinct voting place is best adapted to this purpose. Property owners and others should donate the use of their premises one day without expectation of remuneration

It is urged that this work be completed without delay and these head-quarters notified in detail, within 48 hours of the action taken.

Very truly yours.

GEORGE A. WHITE.

Adjutant General.

These orders were sent out after a conference between Governor Withy-combe and Adjutant General white, which followed a conference between Adjutant General White, Sheriff Hurlourt, County Clerk Beveridge, Mayor Albee and Auditor Barbour. As a result Sheriff Hurlburt's force and the rolice will cooperate in completing arrangements for war census registration booths in each precinct in Multnomah county, and Sheriff Hurlburt will begin selection of a war census marshal for each precinct. The latter will be empowered, in accordance with General White's letter to sheriffs, to

appoint five assistants. Smooth Working Expected.

It is intended to keep accurate account of each precinct marshal by a system of reports to the sheriff's office, so that when the census day arrives everything will go through without a hitch and the task may be completed between 8 a, m, and 8 p, m, of that day. By placards, newspaper publicity and other means, the date will be made known when designated by the president. On that day each man within the ages which are finally decided upon by congress must present himself for registration. Several packages of registration

cards were received yesterday from Washington. The information called for includes name in full, home additional case of African descent a corner of the been about \$70,000. The Oregon Motor-case of African descent a corner of the building. Washington. The information called

# LORD RHONDDA SAYS AMERICAN BUSINESS NEED NOT FEAR WAR

Britain's Experience, He De-13 clares, Has Been Better Financial Conditions,

EXCESS PROFITS ARE BIG

British Workingmen Have Becsived Righer Wages and Spend More, He Says, Thus Melping Tradesmen.

By Lowell Mellett.

London, May 5 .- (U, P.)-American | business has nothing to fear from the war. The profits in England have been above normal since the war began.

Lord Rhondda, president of the local government board and a member of Lloyd George's cabinet, in making this statement today to the United Press declared the American business manfrom the small tradesman up to the biggest capitalist-can look optimisically to the future,

Lord Rhondda may be best known o Americans as D. A. Thomas-his name before elevation to a title. He is one of the world's captains of industry, with interests in not only England, but in France, Italy, Spain, Russia, Brazil and Argentina. He has made frequent visits to the United States-his latest being one undertaken at the request of Premier Lloyd approved by them. George to arrange supplies for England and to obtain information as to American business conditions.

Excess Profits Tax Great. 'I have never been inclined to urge this notwithstanding the fact that I parently succeeded in bringing home was aboard the Lusitania when the to the demonstrators the necessity suing of the proclamation. The clerk Germans torpedoed her. I have con- for continuance of a complete form sistently believed that America would of government—a government that do the right thing-hut that it was would have been dissolved for rule of America's own problem.

step, I feel free to assure American succeeded. or city business men-among whom I have a elerk on the sixth day after the date great number of friends—that possible war are likely to prove unfounded. "Certainly it has not been that case stances in some lines. The government realized \$700,000,000 from its excess profits tax last year. That means

profits above the normal before the

The profits last year

represents the 60 per cent tax. English Labor Has Profited. "Moreover, last year's profits were achieved with but little evidence of

so-called profiteering. Labor obtained its due proportion in increased wages -as witnessed by ability of the workingmen to meet the increased cost of living and at the same time spend "The latter fact is one of the rea-

as perhaps they anticipated. 'Please don't misunderstand me-war down.

Panic Meed Not Be Peared

"America, like England, need not contemplate the wrecking of the fabric of sentiment was recognized and Tosits business life. "America knows what hard times periods are-though fortunately the wisdom of the new financial system instituted by President Wilson's administration has obviated a recurrence of such panics as those which once periodically afflicted business. A war such as America faces can't be compared for its effect on business

with those former hard time periods. America fight to retain her freedom to engage in business with the world on even terms—but, for the reasons I have given, the fight itself won't work disaster to the present business struc-

#### Oxman Faces Trial On Felony Charge

San Francisco, May 5 .- (P. N. S.)-Frank C. Oxman, Oregon cattleman, international evils; they have cleaned today was formally held for trial in out the former—now they must clean

Mooney. Police Judge Matthew Brady issued the formal commitment after conferring with members of the appellate court over his disputed jurisdiction, attorneys for Oxman having argued hat habeas corpus proceedings instiuted yesterday in the district court of appeals put the commitment out of the lower court's jurisdiction,

### Coast Artilleryman Accused of Assault

Ernest Brugger, 17 years old, a member of the coast artillery corps and the son of a farmer living in the vicinity of Gresham, was arrested Friday evening on instructions from Deputy District Attorney Richard Deich. It is charged that young Brugger is the father of a baby born May 1 to a 16-year-old girl, whom, it is said, the lad assaulted after following her from the juvenile court. The young mother is the second of a poor widow's family of six children. Brugger is in the city jail awaiting \$1000 bail. The case is being considered in juvenile court this afternoon.

## Woman Appointed Pastor's Assistant

Appointment was announced today of Miss Marie Rockwell as pastor's assistant to Dr. E. H. Pence of West minster Presbyterian church, Miss Rockwell, who is a Portland woman, has spent the past two years attending Edward H. White's Bible training school in New York.

birth, present occupation, name of employer, place of employment, dependents if any, married or single, race, previous military experience and ground on which exemption from draft is claimed if right to such exemption should exist. Each man registered

#### Evans Home Robbed Friday of Precious Bottle of Alcohol

The residence of District At

torney Walter H. Evans at 686 Multnomah street was robbed Friday night of between \$150 and \$200 worth of jewelry one quart of alcohol that had been cached in a cedar chest. The robbery occurred during the absence of the family between 8 and 10:30 o'clock. The robber gained entrance by prying open one of the windows facing on the porch. When the family returned from the theatre the house was found to have been systematically ransacked from top to bottom and

the contents of the dresser drawers strewn on the floor. Among the articles of jewelry stolen was a diamond sunburst with prongs set with pearls, a pendant set with pearls and coral, two gold rings, several gold neck chains, a gold watch and an Elk pin.

SOLDIERS IN RUSSIA ARE FOR VICTORY

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approved the government's pledges included in these pledges it was reported, was one to announce publicly the reasons behind the provisional day as to Russia's aims in the war Soldiers' delegates said today the full text of this explanation had been read to the executive committee and

Sober Heads Gain Hearing. In the meantime the temper of the surging crowds on the streets has perceptibly changed. Yells and imprecations against the ministers have been that America 'come in,'" Lord Rhond- quieted for cheers for democratic Rusthe mob if the crowds' demands for "Now that America has taken the resignation of various ministers had

Twenty-five thousand persons were jammed in the streets around the fears for business disaster through the Marinsky palace all day Thursday and Thursday night. It was a turbulent, shouting mob. Many clashes occurred and reformatories should apply to the in England, except in isolated in- among its members. Several shots were fired. No attempt was made to keep order. Two persons were reported struck by bullets.

Peoples' Rule Is Cheered. The crowds kept | ceaseless vigil round the building in which the soldiers' and workmen's delegates were Excited knots gathered meeting. around various orators. Cheers for the peoples' rule were mixed with roars of applause greeting demands for wholesale resignations of the

present government leaders. But through all the disorder there ran the extreme caution against aiding Germany by disrupting Russia's Extremist agitators forces. sons why tradesmen have not suffered sought to urge complete brotherhood with German soldiers were howled Nicholas Lenin, now recogisn't a business any truly civilized gov- nized as a German-influenced agitator, ernment should enter for the purpose was literally swept away when he of making profit, but it is one of the tried to speak. The crowd simply strange facts incidental to this war would not let him talk. Before long the crowd's temper had suddenly changed into a patriotic demonstration for Russia at any cost and this tered by friends of the provisional leaders, who entered the crowd and

besought order again. Secret Treaties Opposed. The whole gist of the orator's remarks seemed to be that the populace was unwilling to support any ministry which would enter into secret treaties Constant demand that the present ministers make public all compacts into which they had entered or intended "Events have made it necessary that entering-or else resign-was voiced.

"We are figthing an offensive and not a defensive war." was a reiterated There was no diminution in the size of the crowd when the ministry met party. at night in joint session with the exworkmen's delegates. The mobs' de-

Insist on Removal of Burdens. "The Russian people have been burdened with a heritage of internal and international evils; they have cleaned the superior court on a felony charge out the latter," was one typical speech of trying to induce F. E. Rigall to by one of the crowd's orators.

testify falsely against Thomas J. "Miliukoff knows all about secret "Miliukoff knows all about secret reaties, he must publish them," was

another public utterance greeted with wild acclaim. When the impromptu orators in the crowd had worn themselves out, the nob began yelling for speeches from the Duma leaders. Their demands, in a vast chorus of clamor, penetrated to the hall in which the ministers and soldiers and workmen were debating. Miliukoff was the first to respond to roars of demand for a speech. He appeared on the platform and begged the people to be patient. He was respectfully greeted, even cheered. Then the mob demanded that President Rodziansky of the duma speak. He had to respond in the face of thunderous insistence. Minister of Justice Ker-

ensky was next demanded. Leaders Are Boundly Cheerd. All three leaders were roundly cheered. Then the noise subsided somewhat. All night long, however, there were

housands who stood or walked in swaying crowds back and forth on nearby streets. The yelling mob spirit had apparently exhausted itself by daylight, and when the word was spread about that the conference between the duma leaders and the soldiers' and workmen's committee was remnants of the mob mustered cheers reception given us today. from the hoarse throats and melted

## Unknown Purchaser Buys Quarter Block

B. L. Harding of Los Angeles has est and oldest of five such assemblies deeded to the Security Savings & Trust now governing great nations of the company of this city the improved world. quarter block at the southeast corner of Eighth and Davis streets. The property is occupied by the Oregon Motorcar company. It was formerly owned by Harry Lombard of Los Angeles, who sold it a short time ago to Mr. Harding. The Security Savings & Trust company is holding the property for the actual buyer, whose name is withheld. The price is said to have been about \$70,000. The Oregon Motor-

# OBJECTS TO PARTS OF INTERCHANGE REPOR

Manager Middleton Denies His Company Is Behind peoples of western civilizate banded themselves together.

SERVICE IN HOTELS GOOD

Connections Are Made Between Similar Instruments in Los Angeles, Says Mr. Middleton.

Features of the report to the Progressive Business Men's club and the City club opposing compulsory interchange of telephone service are contested by J. B. Middleton, manager of the Home Telephone company.

Compulsory interchange of telephone service is proposed in an ordinance submitted to the voters of Portland for action June 4. The report was submitted to the Progressive Business Men's club Thursday, after being approved by the executive boards of both hat organization and the City club.

Both Sides to Be Heard, Action on the report by the Progres

sive Business Men's club as a whole was deferred for one week to permit on the citation of facts. E. A. Clark president, said this morning that arrangements were being made to have various viewpoints presented before the club by the Home and Pacific telephone companies and the Public Service league which initiated the measure.

"The report conveys the allegation that the Home Telephone company is fathering this matter for its own benefit," said Mr. Middleton, "The Home Telephone company did not originate this matter, has never paid a cent toda told the United Press today, "and sia. Sober heads in the throngs ap- ward it, and does not intend to. Such absolutely false information in a re port that is supposed to be fair and impartial does great injury to this corporation.

"Mr. Lowrie called on me and told him the automatic and manual systems in Los Angeles, which are identical to those in Portland, are now being connected. Carefully prepared plans have been worked out by the Bel engineers to make this connection The argument advanced by Mr. Lowrig is the Bell company stock argument They say their uniformly balanced equipment will not permit of such con nections. They have used this argument all over the United States whenever it is not to their liking to make a connection, but the moment it is agreeable to them to make a connection you hear no more of this balanced equipment.

Works Well in Hotels,

"I am not altogether clear as to whether it will be a good thing for the Home Telephone company to interchange, but the trend of the country is toward a flexible interchange of telephones and we must adjust ourselves trust companies in the country have to it. If a first-class interchange service is given it will be a good thing for the community. This same evolution took place in the railroads in the flexible interchange of freight Successful interchange has Cars. taken place in the principal hotels of ortland for the past th the Bell equipment, and we have yet to hear of any injury to their delicate equipment. The interchange of the entire city is simply an enlargement of this same idea."

#### U. S. CONGRESS GIVES BALFOUR **GREAT OVATION**

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dent was a spectator, finally began cheering. House Cheers President.

The president rose in response and stood until the house quieted for a moment before the arrival of the Balfour The house rose again and cheered as Balfour, on the arm of ecutive council of the soldiers' and Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee, walked to the mands had by this time been changed speaker's desk, shook hands with into appeals for certain policies by the Speaker Clark, and stood before the

members. Balfour's entrance was greeted with the usual house announcement by the doorkeeper: "The honorable British mission

the United States." That tilted the lid. When the cheer ing concluded Clark announced:

Balfour Given Ovation. "I present to you the Right Honorable Arthur James Balfour, secretary of state for foreign affairs for Great Britain.

The cheering was renewed and redoubled as Balfour bowed to the house and then began an appeal to America to help the "free people of the world" down Germany's military despot-

The president applauded at every opportunity. The speech concluded, he disappeared. Members believed he had gone back to the White House. A cheer from the back of the chamber greeted the president's unexpected entrance on the floor of the house.

Followed by a dozen secret service men, the president walked down the main aisle of the house, mixed with 400 congressmen and awaited his turn to shake hands with Balfour and his

House Members Thanked. As he shook hands with Balfour, the president leaped over and whispered a greeting to him. He shook hands also with the other members of the mission and left the chamber amid cheers, to take Mrs. Wilson from the executive gallery.
"Mr. Speaker, members of the house

and ladies and gentlemen," said Balfour. "Will you permit me, on behalf of my friends and myself, to express "All of us feel the greatness of the "I rejoice to think that a very old member of the British house of com-

a sister assembly with such kindness as you have shown me and my friends. Great Historical Moment. "These two assemblies are the great

Each represents the great democratic principle, to which we look forward to secure the future peace of the world. The compliment paid to the mission by such an assembly and upon such an occasion is one never to be

forgotten.
'This is one of the greatest moments in the history of the world. What is together of free people against the aggression of military despotism.

representatives of the people may be betrayed by some momentary gust of passion which they ultimately deplore.

German Menace Increases. "But the military despotism of Gernany is such that it lasts through gen-"This menace is not one that de-

creases with knowledge. On the contrary, it increases. "There is such a thing in the world as a power which can focus all the resources of knowledge and civilization to make itself moral and material master of the world.

"It is against that danger that free peoples of western civilization have Move for Its Own Benefit, "In that cause we shall surely conto this date secure that their civilization is not adapted on German lines,

> but upon Christian spirit. "I repeat sincerely, thank you for the cordial welcome, and express my profound sense of the significance of this unique meeting."

Chief Justice Leads Applause. Chief Justice White of the supreme court, accompanied by Associate Justices Brandels, Pitney, McReynolds and Clark, led the applause during Balfour's speech, just as he led the cheering when President Wilson read nis war message.

Beside White was Secretary of the with McAdoo. The contest ended when Geren. they butted heads and sat down blush-

In the receiving line were Balfour, Lieutenant General Bridges, Admiral de Chair, Ambassador Spring-Rice and Speaker Clark

# SUBSCRIPTIONS POUR IN FOR LIBERTY LOAN FROM ALL DIRECTIONS

Indications Point to Applications Totaling Several Times Amount Asked,

PATRIOTIC APPEAL Washington, May 5 .- (U. P.) -The golden flood pouring into the treasury department to float the liberty loan Prisoner, However, Will Pay \$100 continued unabated today. Its sources were tapping the treasure of every sec tion of the nation.

Responses today maintained yesterday's average of nearly \$20,000,000 an nour-over \$300,000 a minute. Maintenance of the subscription ratio established since the issue was offered to the public will over-subscribe several times the original \$2,-000,000,000 asked. Two per cent of

27,531 state and national banks and

applied for \$138,674,000. At this rate total applications for subscriptions to the first issue will reach between \$6,000,000,000 and \$7,000,000,000. Early reports today indicate that banks and trust companies in New York state will subscribe nearly 50 per cept of the first issue. The largest single subscriptions yet received-\$20,-000,000-came from an institution in

New York. First reports from Illinois brought subscriptions from Chicago of \$18,995,-00. Cleveland sent \$7,050,000, placing Ohio third in the list of states. The last of Secretary McAdoo's tele grams to banks and trust companies have been sent from Washington, com-

pleting the first publicity step in floating the huge bond issue, Advertising campaigns suited to local conditions throughout the coun- Emery E. Fry. try are being launched today by subscribing banks in all states.

## Mr. King's Joy Ride Cost Him \$25 Fine

Suspended Sentence of 30 Days Also Hangs Over Speeder-Fourteen Others Contribute \$5 Each. Carl King's joy ride with a couple of

women companions resulted this morning in a \$25 fine imposed by Judge Stevenson in municipal court, a sus-pended sentence of 30 days and the order that he does not use his car for the same period.

The arresting officer testified that King was intoxicated. Fourteen speeders arrested by Motorcycle Patrolman Frank Ervin ail pleaded guilty to the charge in municipal court this morning, and were fined \$5 each. The cases of R. Hugh-son and J. G. Arnold were set over until Monday. Those who paid fines were: H. Heiberg, S. Means, Tom Stott, John Nelson, Benny Rozeen, C. J. Holman, R. Howard, Dean Adams, J. R. Davies, F. Zanello, N. H. Jacobs, Frank Smith, P. A. Fulmer and J. R. Westerfield.

### Portland Pension Attorney Disbarred

Methods that are believed to have extended over a period of 10 years have resulted in the disbarring of Julius H. Hirscheimer, a Portland attorney, from practice before the bureau of pensions at Washington, News of this action was received by Assistant United States Attorney Rankin

Friday, While it is known that Hirscheimer's actions have been under suspicion for 10 years and that investigations diers' and workmen's committee was of my friends and myself, to express have been going on for three, it is proceeding satisfactorily, most of the our deepest and sincere thanks for the admitted that he had eluded efforts to pin him down to specific violations The full facts in the matter, which impelled the secretary of the interior to disbar the man on April 3, have not been announced. mons has been received here today by Complaints from former clients of Hirscheimer, accusing him of irregu-

### British Torpedo Boat Sunk by Mine GERMAN MAJOR AND

ceived by the government.

larities in obtaining pensions, were re-

London, May 5 .- (I. N. S.)-The oss of a British torpedo boat destroyer was announced by the admiralty today. One officer and 61 mer are missing. The vessel, one of the older type, struck a mine in the English channel on May 2.

# TO SERVE COLORS AT PRESIDIO AS MAJOR

Arthur Murphy and Walter Geren of District Attorney's Office Will Also Report,

EXTRA JUDGE IS SOUGHT

T. E. J. Duffy of Prineville and Judge Belt of Dallas Called to Bit

The call to the colors took from the county building today another circuit judge, a deputy district attorney and special agent in the district attorney's reasury McAdoo. When McAdoo ar- office. Those ordered to join the rerived there was no chair for him. Chief serve training camp at the Presidio not ustice White offered his seat. While later than May 11, are Circuit Judge member was precuring a chair, the George N. Davis of Department No. chief justice, to the merriment of the 4; Deputy District Attorney Arthur ront rows of members, matched bows Murphy and Special Agent Walter

With the calling of Judge Davis, Multnomah county contributes two of-Following Balfour's speech, members ficers from the circuit court bench, of the British mission stood in line in Judge Gantenbein as colonel and Judge ront of the speaker's rostrum and re- Davis as major. Their departure also ceived the members of the house, wno brings three judges from outside to slowly filed past and shook hands with complete the judicial roster. Because of the continued illness of Judge Mor row, Judge T. E. J. Duffy of Prineville will preside in his court beginning Monday. Judge Belt of Dallas will preside in Department No. 6 in place of ludge Gantenbein and an available judge is being sought for department No. 4 in relief of Judge Davis.

> KAVANAUGH WILL PRESIDE Judge Belt Will Succeed to Place

Held by Gantenbein. Judge John P. Kavanaugh, begin ning Monday, will sit as presiding judge of the circuit court in the place of Judge C. U. Gantenbein, who has been called into service as colonel of the reserve corps. The selection of Judge Kavanaugh as presiding judge was made Friday at a meeting of the ircult court judges.

Judge H. H. Belt, of Dallas, will take over the work of department No 6 during the absence of Judge Ganten-

Before Taking Seattle Job. Patriotic desire to aid the country in is shipbuilding yards was the unique lea offered Friday by Claude Chandler, alias Smith, to evade a jail sentence after admitting the theft of an automobile. Chandler told Presiding Judge Gantenbein that he had a promise of work in a Seattle shipbuilding yard, and that as the country is in of skilled men he thought he should be permitted to take the job. His plea won, except that he will pay a fine of \$100 before taking the job. G B Ludovici pleaded guilty to

selling whiskey and was fined \$275.

Default Divorces Granted. Default decrees of divorce were bein Friday to August Kruger Ruth Kruger, Elizabeth Dickey from Wesley W. Dickey, Maude Fenley from Laura Fraser, Charles A. Jennings form an additional squadron of cavfrom Minnie M. Jennings, and Caroline alry, to be drawn most likely from M. Morehouse from D. W. Morehouse, eastern Oregon.

Three Charge Desertion. Desertion formed the plaint in three divorce suits filed in the circuit court today by Andrew E. Brasen against Ida Brasen, Linda Iola Ford against Percy G. Ford and Almeda Fry against

R. D. Forrest Arrested. Robert D. Forrest, formerly a piano player at the Friars' club, is under arrest at San Francisco on a warrant issued in Portland charging him with non-support of his wife, Herta For-rest, and family. Deputy Sheriff Stan-

#### to secure Forrest, FRENCH ADVANCE ON LAON; POINT HELD STRATEGIC

(Continued From Page One.) Aisne plateau and the Miette valley taken in a surprise blow of great strength struck yesterday by the French commander, gives the French their entry point for this important Today the French were operation. nine miles distant from Laon, but with the intervening ground favorably sit

uated for their further progress. Reserves Offer Resistance. German reserves hurriedly concentrated to offset the French victory were stubbornly contesting every inch of the ground held by Nivelle's troops and front dispatches indicated a battle of gigantic proportions was gathering there. Craonne and Laon lie at the base of an angle of which La Fere is the point. A penetration of this angle would give the allies a hold back of the Hindenburg line all the way north and place the Germans in grave

Deadlock in Arras Sector, Field Marshal Haig's report today indicated continuance of the deadlock in the Arras sector and was devoted to fighting action to the south. "East of Le Verguier we carried out a successful raid at night, taking a few prisoners," he said. "North of Havrincourt wood, we progressed." The deadlock in the Arras sector was not without fighting, however, Three further German counter attacks were made during the night, the British commander-in-chief reported All were directed against the newly

were driven back from the British trenches after a period of sharp fight-Progress - around Fresnoy, to the south, was also reported by Haig. At Messines hostile raiders were repulsed.

924 MEN CAPTURED

Paris, May 5.—(U. P.)—Germany is pouring fresh divisions into desperate fighting along all the Soissons-Rheims front in a determined attempt advertisers, to stop the French advance and re-take positions lost in General Nivelle's TICKETS—Fifth and Stark.

recent drives, today's official statenent showed.

Four new German divisions approximately 160,000 men-were called on by the Teutons to aid in their violet counter attacks. The German counter thrusts furnished the greater part of the fight-

ing, but around Mont Cornillet and east of Blond Mont the French again succeeded in gaining ground, in the face of violent resistance. "South of the Oise a German attack

was checked by our curtain of fire," the statement said. "Near Coucy forest and Chemin des Dames artillery was most active.

"During the night north of the Aisne the Germans violently counter attacked our Craonne positions captured yesterday, but all efforts were broken by resistance of our infantry and by our barrage fire. The enemy was unable to reach our lines any

"At Berry au Bac, after violent fighting, German attacks toward our positions east of Hill 108 were repulsed.

Hight Attack Nets Prisoners. "On Friday evening, following yes erday's attacks, the Germans again attempted counter attacks northwest of Rheims, toward evening bringing up great reserves from Aguilcourt They utterly failed in all attempts to advance, being smashed by the French neavy and field artillery with huge losses to them. Two new German di visions were identified in the battle. We took 925 prisoners, including a

German major. "In the Champagne a violent battle ccurred Friday evening in the region of Cornillet Mont. Our forces further progressed east of the mountain slopes around Mont Blond, despite heaviest resistance. Here also the Germans utilized two fresh divisions. Our captures were 100 German soldiers.

Counter Attacks Checked.

Paris, May 5 .- (U. P.)-Violent ighting on the Champagne front, with German counter attacks everywhere checked, was reported in today's official statement. The German attacks were made with large numbers of resh divisions. More than a thousand prisoners have been taken by French troops in the

fighting here. IWO MORE TROOPS OF CAVALRY RECOGNIZED

Captain Joyce Has Recommended Acceptance After Making Inspection.

BY U. S. GOVERNMENT

Troops B and C, Oregon cavalry, recently formed in this city, are now recognized by the federal government. Captain Kenyon A. Joyce, U. S. A. inspector-instructor of cavalry for the sixteenth division, with headquarters in San Francisco, who has been in Portland this week, has recommended the troops for acceptance after in

specting them. To complete the squadron of cavalry which has been authorized by the war department, Troop D will be next formed. It is hoped to complete organization within 10 days or two granted by Presiding Judge Ganten- weeks. Whether it will be formed in

from Portland or some been determined. It is also possible that authority C. Fenley, George W. Fraser from will be asked of the war department to

Timely Attractions



won British positions on the Hindenburg line. The first was broken down in concentrated British artillery fire. The other two passed the barrages but

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