VOL. 28

DAILY EAST OREGONIAN, PENDLETON, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1916.

Porcess for Ensure Occurs by the United States Weather Observer at Portland.

Tonight and Thursday, rain of snow

COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER

NO. 8745

SUBMARINE WAR AGAINST ARMED SHIPS IS BEGU

Decree of Berlin Government Went Into Effect at Midnight-England Thinks Proclamation a Bluff.

SAYS CAMPAIGN UNJUSTIFIED

Nothing to Indicate Staking of Thornaby Is First Blow of the Tentons Divers Are Increased in Number Off Italian Coast in Anticipation of New Move.

NEW YORK, March White Star line cancelled reservations for March on its three remaining passenger vessels. It was denied the submarine campaign was the reason. It was said they find they can operate more profitably by excluding passengers. They will resume passenger carrying in April.

(By Charles P. Stewart.) LONDON, March 1.-The Teutonic proclamation of war on armed merchantmen went into effect at midnight. Thus far there have been no Moreover, no definite reports of torpedoings are expected for a day, perhaps two. There was nothindicate that the sinking of the Thornaby, reported by Lloyda today, was the first German blow. The number of submarines operating off Italy are known to have been greatly increased lately, probably it anticipation of the new campaign. Through that sone are now passing several armed Italian Buers.

The attuation here is similar to that at the dawn of the first German submarine campaign more than a year Some regard the decree as a Such persons are offering teta that submarines will not sink iner without warning. England contends the campaign is unjustified tive ships, to make it appear the adconstruction placed on a paragraph sources as to assure its accuracy. nations on the legislative ticket. to restrain their fire until a subma ring is within 800 yards. It is claim ed this is a defensive measure, though the Germans asserted it was meant to restrain fire until a sutmarine was within range so the shot would be

STOCKHOLM March 1 - The 1200 ton Swedish vessel Torburg was sub-marined in the Mediterranhean. The rew was landed at Leghorn.

LONDON, March I .- The 1800 ten British steamer Thornaby was sunk and the crew perished, a Lloyd's dispatch said today

NEW YORK, March 1 .- Because of the German campaign against armed merchantmen, insurance rates on transatiantic ships engaged in the Mediterranean service rose sharply to-

O-W Officials to Map out Campaign for the Round-Up

WILL SPEND DAY WITH BOARD IN PLANNING FOR PUBLICITY THIS YEAR.

stated that his company was planning affect, thence east on Railroad to west by Ann.

Shippers are requested to order care to carry on the most extensive carry and the strong the 1916 Round.

Alta to its intersection with Court by the river, on the east by Willow. The when and place where desired on that it has yet undertaken and and east on Court to the city limits on the weon the south by Alta and on kind of freight to be shipped and the declared particular effort would be The eastern and southern boundaries the west by Ann. made to attract many people from are the city limits.

Precinct 41—All that section south cars should be made to an official or the eastern states. His approaching Precinct 33—Reginning at the invisit here indicates that he is pre- tersection of Mill street and the river, of Webb,

railroads and Mr. McMurray realizes ern boundary is the river and the of the river. Forty-three is all east per cent above the marked capacity,) of Logan, 44 is all between Logan and To order no more cars than are abbe increased by judicious advertising. Precinct 34—Bounded on the north Blaine and 45 is all west of Blaine, solutely needed. "The biggest and best Round-up in by Rallroad street, on the east by taking in also the Eastern Oregon
The biggest and best Round-up in by Rallroad street, on the east by taking in also the Eastern Oregon
The unload cars as promptly as posthe slogan adopted by the Vincent, on the south by the city State Hospital and other territory by sible and give company immediate the beginning of the present German with heavy losses have given the Ger-O -W. and the Round-up board

system, but seldom does.

President Asks Congress to Vote on Proposals to Warn Americans off Armed Ships

ient Wilson unexpectedly requested of serious risks. congress yesterday a vote of confi-dence in his stand against Germany's that your committee will permit me to urge an early vote upon the resolusubmarine policy.

Edward W. Pou of North Carolina, mediate opportunity for full publi acting chairman of the house rules discussion and action upon them an igerent merchant ships.

Democratic leaders of the house who have fought for a week at the president's behest to prevent a vote their hands in dismay.

Text of President's Letter The text of the letter follows:

"The White House, Washington, gestion as to the business of the Feb. 29, 1916—My Dear Mr. Pou: house, and I very carnestly commend en. 29, 1916.—My Dear Mr. Pou:
"Inasmuch as I learn that Mr. it to their immediate consideration. Henry, the chairman or the committee on rules, is absent in Texas, I take the liberty of calling your attention, as ranking member of the committee to a matter of grave concern to the Leaders Di country, which can, I believe, be handled under the rules of the house,

only by that committee. "The report that there are divided ouncils in the house in regard to the can defeat the warning resolutions foreign policy of the government is thereby putting the house on record being made industrious use of in for- in favor of his aggressive attitude toeign capitals.

Believes Report Is False,

WASHINGTON, March 1 .- Presi-| and expose the country to the most

tions with regard to sravel on armed Official Washington gasped when merchantmen which have recently the White House made public a letter been so much talked about, in order from the president to Representative that there may be afforded an imcommittee, asking an early vote' on that all doubts and conjectures may proposals to warn Americans off bel- be awayt away and our foreign relations once more cleared of damaging misunderstandings.

Is of Grave Importance "The matter is or so grave importon the warning resolutions, threw up field of legislative initiative that 1 venture to hope that your committee will not think that I am taking unwarranted liberty in making this sug-

> Cordially and sincerely yours, "WOODROW WILSON:

possibilities in the president's attitude. They were:

That the president is convinced he ward Germany,

Or he is convinced congress is not "I believe that to be false, but so behind him in his foreign policy and long as it is anywhere credited, it there he is prepared to allow it to sannot fall to do the greatest harm take the matter out of his hands,

Dame Rumor Says Steiwer will Run for Legislature, Making Lively Three Cornered Race

It is persistently reported on the, contends the campaign is unjustified arrests today that District Attorney the contest for the republican nominathe English orders, solved from cap- Steiwer will make the race for the ner, Mr. Steiwer and Dr. J. A. Best. miralty ordered armed merchantmen republican nomination for repres R. N. Stanfield will again run for to attack submarines | Lord | Cecij sentative in the legislature | The joint representative, it is reported request generally was interpreted as claimed the distortion arises from a information is said to be from such dates seeking the democratic nomi-

ONLY \$5000 NOW NEEDED TO ASSURE LOCATION OF BLEWETT FACTORY HERE

Further subscription today for the Blewett Harvester Co. fund reduce the amount now to be raised to only \$5000. Five different subscriptions of \$500 each have been made in the last 24 hours but the names are not yet announced because some of the men have not yet signed up with the committee.

With only \$5000 yet to be raised it is the belief of the workers for the factory that victory is in sight though it will be necessary to raise the entire amount before the industry is safely landed for Pendleton.

Grand Line Depot is Destroyed by

TONS OF PREIGHT AND BAGGAGE AND NUMBER OF TRAINS IN RUINS.

reduced to ashes by a mysterious fire this morning. The cause is unknown the The fire broke out at several Shippers Asked to It is believed there were no casualpoints, simultaneously.

Some authorities attributed the fire to a German plot, though they also are investigating reports that the wiring in the depot was defective. The

Boundaries of New Precincts Given for Benefit of Voters

precincts in Pendleton and the chang- west by Main. This year.

To spend an entire day with the Reund-up board in mapping out a campaign of publicity for the 1916 Reund-up, William McMurray, general passenger agent of the Cu-W. R. & N. and Advertising Manager Jackson of the same company, will arrive in the city next Tuesday or Wednesday.

This word was brought to the city by J. L. Miller, traveling passenger agent exceptions.

The city next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Precinct in Pendleton and the changing of others, few Pendleton voters know in what precincts in Pendleton and the changing of the region and the changing of the boundaries of others, few Pendleton voters know in what precinct at the river, on the sast by Main, on the south in Willow to Alfa, west on Almost the close and an annual court of the railroad company in relieving the possible. The western boundary begins at the river, goes contained on the north boundary begins at the river, goes south on Willow to Alfa, west on Almos to close to the color and the class by Main, and to Mr. Skey is that shippers lead south on Willow to Alfa, west on Almos to close and south on Cosbie to the 48 hour privilege but unload cars just as promptly as possible. The north the city next Tuesday or Wednesday.

The word was brought to the city by J. L. Miller, traveling passenger agent yes feeling to the region and the river, on the cast by Main and the river, goes south on Willow to Alfa, west on Almos to close and south on Cosbie to the town with the river, on the cast by Main and the river, goes south on Willow to Alfa, west on Almos to close and south on Cosbie to the twent and the river, on the cast by Main and the river, goes south on Willow to Alfa, west on Almos to close and the river, goes that shippers lead to the river, on the cast by Main and the river, on the cast by Main and the river, on the cast by Main and the river, goes ther twent and the river, on the cast by Main and the river, on the cast by Main and the river on the south on the river, on the ri

paring to keep his promise. The line runs south on Mill to Alfa.

The Round-up, because of its east on Alfa to Court and east on of Webb and west of Ann.

drawing power, is a big asset to the Court to the city limits. The north-

limits and on the west by Main.

by the river, on the east by Johnson, side,

Precincts 43, 44 and 45 are north To load cars to full capacity. (1) ing outside the city limits.

Precinct 25 -Bounded on the north All boundary lines run down the

be Upheld in His Attitude Toward German Government.

LEADERS APPROVE THE PLAN

Test of Strength Will be Made as to Whether Americans Should be Warned or Not to Keep Off Armed Merchantmen-Letter to Pou Causes Some Sensation.

the house, was willing to support the his property. president wholeheartedly. Kitchin ence has been very highly developed n the house."

Stone intimated the resolution would be limited to an endorsement of Wilson's course in the armed ship controversy but not refer to other phases of his foreign policy. It is beheved congress will back the president thus far.

resentative Flood conferred with the president this morning for nearly an \$1.10 1-4, \$1.08 7-8. It was agreed the test would be a straight one on the warning resolution. Clark, Kitchin and Pou met the president afterwards.

Flood said after the conference: 'In the light of events, I think there is little question that all members of ongress will support the president.

The president's letter to Pou caused a sensation because none of the leaders had an inkling of the president's determination to force the Issue. The the capitol showed enough votes to defeat the resolution reflecting upon the president's position. In sending his message to Pou, the president pointed out that foreign capitals might be adversely influenced by news of a lack of support for the governnent. He said the stories of differences were being made industrion Fire at Montreal use of abroad. He favored a test of strength Saturday, but decided to

Agitation was renewed today for the president to appear at an executive session of congress with a specil message about the dealings with MONTREAL, March 1.—The Grand the central powers, because the re-Line depot, containing tons of freight, publicans object to voting on the baggage and a number of trains, was foreign question "in the dark."

Help Relieve Car Shortage in State

SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF O.-W. PLEADS FOR PROMPT UNLOADING.

So serious is the car shortage in Oregon, because of brisk hus no all lines ,that W. B. Skey, special representative of the traffic department Since the establishment of new on the south by Railroad and on the of the O.-W. R. & N. is here today on a trip to induce shippers to aid the

This word was brought to the city by voters, the boundaries are note gives and the ling made by the state railroad compessenger agent yesterday.

In Miller, traveling passenger agent yesterday.

Precinct 32—Beginning at the Precinct 32—Beginning at the Southern end of Vincent street, the by Aha, on the east by Cosbie, on the notice has been sent out to shippers by Aha, on the east by Cosbie, on the notice has been sent out to shippers by Aha, on the east by Cosbie, on the notice has been sent out to shippers by Aha, on the east by Cosbie, on the notice has been sent out to shippers by Aha, on the east by Cosbie, on the notice has been sent out to shippers and the following advice given the following given the followi

he west by Ann.

Precinct 41—All that section south cars should be made in an official or agent at the point nearest the station Precinct 42-All that section south switch or siding where the cars are to be furnished.

enfug.

According to actentists a man by the river, on the east by Mill center of the streets, so that those ity- E. S. Sleeman came in yesterday circle into the woods to the northeast Haument and Samogneau on the river, on the east by Mill center of the streets, so that those ityshould live about five times as long street, on the south by Railroad and ing on one side of a street which is a from Hells and spent the night here, and turned wouthward well north to western and or the matter should be desired to run as the time required for the full descent time will be a different time will be a dif Etuin.

Fortificat' ? Plans ₹ zed After Arrests

March Eounglate

NEW YORK, March 1 .- Arrestina Wo men, supposed German navy lieu enants, charged with postal frauds nspectors confiscated plans of Am erican fortifications. They gave the names of Richard von Ahrend and Rudolph von Kracht. They are specfically charged with collecting mony for the Belgian relief work fraud

REASSESSMENT AMENDMENT DECLARED TO BE INVALID

ARGUMENT IS MADE TO SUSTAIN DEMURRER IN JACKSON STREET SUIT.

Holding that the reassemment am. adment is unconstitutional and that WASHINGTON. March 1 .- Con- the reassessment made in the Jackson cress will soon go on record as to the street improvement district is invalid administrations course toward Ger- R. R. Johnson, Portland attorney repmany. Leaders today approved Wil, resenting Frank Frazier and other son's proposal to Representative Pou Jackson street property owners, this that a test of strength be taken morning made his argument by which "Hon. Edward W. Pou. House of whether to warn Americans to avoid he hopes to sustain the demurrer filed armed merchantmen. Even while in the case brought by the city against Leaders Discuss situation.

Congressional leaders saw only two disbelieve that congress, especially ment of Jackson street adjacent to

City Attorney Fee and his father remarked caustically. "Faulty obedi- Judge Fee, appeared for the city but (Continued on Page Eight.)

Wheat Higher Today in Chicago Market

CHICAGO, March 1 .- (Special)-Senators Stone and Kern and Rep. May \$1.12 1-2, \$1.11 2-4 A. July

> Portland. PORTLAND, March 1 .- (Special) Club 90, 97; bluestern 98, \$1,05.

Liverpool,

In American terms the Liverpool Pelled by artillery, price for No. 2 red western winter is \$2,13 per bushel.

Fresnes is Evacuated According to Recommendations for Using Propos-Statement in Berlin Newspapered Bond Issue Are Adopted at Lull Comes in Battle. Meeting of Committees Here.

NEW OFFENSIVE MAY START OPPOSITION TO PLAN IS SEEN

Paris Says No Reason to Believe Kaiser Has Abandoned His Attempts to Take Stronghold Controlling Way to Paris-French Are Rendy for Auy Eventuality

BERLIN, March 1 .- The French ave evacuated Freenes, southeast of Verdun, the Lokal Anzelger's correpondent reported.

LONDON, March L-A Paris wireess message reported a lull in the pattle around Verdun. It warned, however, that there was no reason to elieve the German offensive had cen abandoned. A German statement reported artillery battling there ut did not mention important infantry engagements. An English biplane was shot down near Menin and two French biplanes near Solssons

LONDON, March L-After days of urlous struggle, the fighting around Verdun came almost to a complete, top last night, official statements agreed. Paris uttered a warning the Germans probably are preparing for further offensive on a colossal scale. New drives against Pepper Heights. north of Verdun and against the forts Devanne and Devaux, are believed presaged.

Berlin reported artillery fighting on the whole front but no infantry at- bonding plan if taken up in the form LIVERPOOL. Feb. 29.—Wheat— the whole front but no infantry at-tot No. 2 red western winter, 14c tacks around Verdun. Paris said there 1-2d; No. 2 hard winter, gulf, 13s was an intermittent nombardment 6d; No. 2 hard winter new and choice northwest of Verdun. German concentrations at Pontamousson were re-

Both sides claimed minor aerial ac-

French Guns at Verdun: German Advance Map

Barrett and Harrah Not Agreed With Others As to How Mutter Should Be Handled-Opinions Differ Widely Over Virtnes of Different Road Projects in County.

Pendleton to Washington state line, \$300,600. Pendleton to Umatilla, \$300,000.

Pendleton to Pilot Rock, \$140,-Pendleton to Helix, \$140,000. Freewater to Sunnyside district \$30,000.

Pendleton to Pitot Rock Jonetion, \$20,000. Surplus from bonds, \$50,000.

The above constitutes the recomnendations made yesterday to the ounty court by the joint committee which met at the court house and devoted the afternoon to a discussion of the subject of the proposed \$989. 000 road bond fasue

The apportionment was made in accordance with suggestions made by Col. J. H. Raley and was adopted after much pro and con discussion. Features of the meeting consisted in s spirited and successful fight by the Helix delegation for more money than was originally assigned them; an open revolt by C. A. Burrett against the bonding scheme as it is being manager and the announcement from W. W. Harrah that he will oppose the agreed upon by the committee,

The committee handling the matter esterday was a joint organization. emposed of the executive committee f the good roads association, a committee of 11 named by the county ourt and a committee from the Pendieton Commercial club.

At the outset of the meeting the mmitteemen were asked to occups the jury chairs and did so while the speciators occupied the auditorium. Col. J. H. Raley started the ball rolling by a general discussing of the bonding plan and the purpose of the meeting. Attorney Cochran of La Grande was then called upon and recited the steps being taken to vote a ond issue in Union county.

(Continued on page eight)

Steiwer Announces His Retirement as District Attorney

LIVELY CONTEST IS PROMISED AS PLACE IS SOUGHT BY SEVERAL.

District Attorney Frederick Stetwer today announced his retirement from office at the expiration of his present term. Some time age he had practically made up his mind not to seek re-election but, stelding to the requests of those who wish him to remain in office, he soon further time to consider the matter. His decision announced today is total, he states. A doore to devote his full time to his private practice has prompted him in making his decision. Despite the fact that Morrow county has been taken out of his jurisdiction sines his election, the duties of the office have so increased that they require almost all of his time and the assessment at a

The amount of the velocities is expected to bring both a more fight for the office maximum as a number of attorneys have been awaiting his decision. That he determined to seek re-election it is doubtly whether he bould have been opposed As the general accommon mount to

CHEMICA E. Small of time will, by the almost pertain to be a consider. Let also very production that is 40 Principof Military and B. I. Water or Christtake their chance at the kepublican Etimaries Deputy Discret Attorn : R. f. Kestur, City Attorney Fee, G. W. Nowth to this cary and W. J. Warns d Hermisten are unserburg greatur

In defineratio travita 2. Hop Bale still results the German annual, | publican attenuous



The French line north of Verdan at | Four days of continuous fighting ed as repulsion annihilation offensive ran from the Meuse, at a mans Consenvoye, Brabant-sur-Mense of the site of being frash, months of Consenvoye, in a semi-