WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest and Other Things Worth Knowing.

has decreed that a woman must spend cause of expected exemptions. \$653 for clothes if she's to be properly dressed this year.

Hans Sulzer, who has been appointed Swiss minister to the United States, is on his way to Washington. His appointment has been approved by the American government.

Lieutenant Colonel Fred W. Sladen commander of the military training from the Presidio camp.

On Memorial Day the flood waters of the Clearwater river, Idaho, claimed two victims, Eleanor, 13 years old, and Uretta, 8 years old, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Boyer, of Lewiston.

with speeches by Wiliam J. Price, the American minister to Panama, and Major Herbert White, of the United States Army.

quisition all stocks.

J. E. Black, a policeman of Selma, Ala., was sentenced to one second imprisonment in the county jail for killing Alex Posey, a negro, while trying favored beginning selections within to arrest him. The sheriff took Black to jail, locked him up and immediately

Wednesday, killed four persons possible. and injured 30, demolished the entire town with the exception of the schoolhouse, and then swept southward to Eye, where Fred Harper, a farmer, was killed by flying debris.

S. X. Constantinidi, first secretary of the Greek legation in Washington, has presented his papers of resignation Constantine's pro-German attitude.

terstate Commerce commission, and gives the record of a study of 5496 predicted curtailment of business or cases. It asserts that slight and nonfailure if it were granted.

Citizens of Berlin, Wis., are seriously considering changing the name first, so far as is known, where the sumed definite shape. name Mascoutin is said to be favorably dren.

Ideas embodied in Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske's invention of a torpedo-launching seaplane have been of the State department, the Federal boy's fingers as officers removed the were used by them in torpedoing the banks of the reserve system that Ger-3000-ton British steamship Gena off Aldeburgh, on May 1, according to a seeking to secure American funds for statement given out in New York by fomenting trouble in this hemisphere, displayed by the artillery on both sides the Aero Club of America. Two sea- and that all transfers of money to neuplanes participated in the attack and

forces since the war began have tinize accounts of any resident alien and airmen also were busy in numerbrought the personnel of all branches enemy and report to the board any sus- ous successful operations. The British up to about 25,000, or almost half the picious transactions. size of the regular Navy a year ago. This includes the fleet reserve, the naval auxiliary, volunteer coast defense and flying corps reserves and women enlisted for special duty. Bos- on the western slopes of San Marco in nounced, ton, New York, Philadelphia and Nor- the Gorizia area. The war office arfolk, in the order named, have led in

Every jitney bus operating in Spo-Mayor Fleming Tuesday.

allies held in Madrid Tuesday were presented to the Spanish minister of the interior. The resolutions were to the effect that "Spain should break diplomatic relations with Germany and should acept all the consequences from the action which she is compelled to adopt for the defense of her dignity.'

pean waters, was formally appointed Alfonso, it is said, has intervened di-Wednesday a vice admiral by Presi- rectly in this question.

Two employes of the Giant Powder Tuesday afternoon, when the nitronear Richmond, blew up.

Panama has proposed that the Unit- acy to violate American neutrality ed States advance \$10,000,000 for im- recruiting Englishmen in this country mediate construction of strategic roads for service in the British army. The and railways as a step in proper de- court refused to interfere with a secfense of the Panama Canal Zone.

An official statement issued in London recently says that counting the Americans serving in the British and French armies and the additional units ordered to France, there shortly will be 100,000 Americans in France.

A mob estimated to number 3000 honors persons, shouting threats to rid East St. Louis, Ill., of negroes imported to work in factories and munitions plants, swept through the streets Wednesday night, attacking and beating negroes here Tuesday on a special train from parts of Northern New Jersey and cents a day in wages was annou

First Call Will Be for From 900,000 to 1,500,000 Men Under New Plan-625,000 Will Be Selected.

Washington, D. C. - Plans of the War department to draft from 900,000 to 1,500,000 men of the 10,000,000 who, it is expected, will be registered for the new army, were disclosed Tuesday by Provost Marshal General Crowder to the senate military affairs com COMPILED FOR YOU der to the senate military affairs committee. Exemptions, he said, probably would result in reducing the num ber to 625,000 men for immediate

While the War department had originally planned to select 500,000 men first, General Crowder told the committee the plans have been revised and it now is proposed to require 625,000.

To secure this number he said it probably will be necessary to draft at The Fashion Art League of America least 900,000 and possibly 1,500,000

000 and to keep training camps in continuous operation,

for 500,000 men were made, he said, ish forces were undamaged. the department had not planned to send American forces abroad so soon. Casualties from foreign service, he camp, reserve corps officers, has or-dered the dismissal of the unfit men sary a reserve of 125,000 men, in ad-ships at Ostend were heavily bomdition to the duty at training camps.

he favored immediate drafting of men were fired with good results. registration. He regards it desirable fered no damage. Memorial Day celebrations were held that men drafted may know and have their personal that early Tuesday morning a force of the enlargement of the amusement hall at both ends of the Panama Canal, arrangements before called to the collight cruisers and destroyers under his and dining room to the main building discover who she was and bring her her with a reproving glance. "Uttered

It was announced in London this the government does not contemplate gun fire and another severely damaged. week that, owing to the shortage of any class exemptions, but that all will Seven survivors from the S-20 have shipping and the consequent necessity be personal. Farmers, factory opera- been picked up and made prisoners. economizing all available supplies tors and other special classes would There were no casualties on our side.' of tobacco, the board of trade will re- not be exempted as such, nor territorially, but all exemptions will be made individually.

The men drafted probably will be in training camps by September 1, General Crowder said, and added that he two weeks after registration so that A tornado struck Mineral Point, Mo., may be made as soon thereafter as

Committe Declares Infantile Paralysis Communicated by Contact.

New York-Infantile paralysis is mmunicated by personal contact, and to the State department and announced not from contaminated sources of milk his allegiance to the forces of Venize- nor from lower animals, insects or by los. He said he disapproved of King clothing and other extraneous objects, says a report made public Tuesday by Representatives of the Midde West the special committee of physicians paving brick and light and power in- appointed last summer to conduct an

paralytic cases are the most frequent sources of infection, "as these cases arouse no suspicion and other persons come in contact with them; "that the munity from attack

agitation to change the name has as-The Indian Parents are urged to isolate sick chil-

Warning Given Bankers.

'appropriated" by the Germans, and Reserve Board has warned member pair. tral countries on both sides of the At- Wednesday in several districts, includone was brought down by the British. lantic must be scrutinized carefully, ing the neighborhood of Vimy and the Enlistments in the Naval Reserve The board suggests that bankers scru- Ypres sector. British raiding parties

Gains Lost by Austrians.

stood a heavy attack by the Austrians Neuve Chapelle, the War office announced that at the points where the Austrians had been able to penetrate lines leveled by their artillery they kane was ordered off the streets by had been promptly driven out again severe losses. Austrian attacks else-Resolutions adopted at the great where between Vertoibizza and the massmeeting in favor of the entente coast were stopped in their incipiency.

Spain Sends Sharp Note.

Madrid-The Spanish government, it is announced in the newspapers, has instructed its representatives in Berlin, Vienna and Constantinople to present an urgent note demanding that there be an end to the persecutions, Rear Admiral Sims, in charge of deportations and lootings practiced

Britons to Be Retried.

Washington, D. C .- Ralph K. Blair company at Oakland, Cal., were killed and Dr. Thomas Addis, British citizhouse at the company's plant day, must undergo a second trial at San Francisco on a charge of conspirond trial ordered.

Ex-Governor Haines Dies.

Boise, Idaho John M. Haines, governor of Idaho in 1913 and 1914, died the western front, replaces Brussiloff at his home here Monday after a long illness. He was 54 years old. He will be buried Thursday with military

Italian Envoy to Enlist.

intended to enlist in the Italian army. public,

DRAFT IN TWO WEEKS GERMAN WARSHIP SENT TO BOTTOM

Kaiser's Naval Base on Belgian Coast Bombarded by British.

English Force of Light Cruisers Attack Six German Destroyers in Hot Fight-Capture Men.

on the Belgian coast, has been bom- ties of his office. When the original plans for service barded by British warships. The Brit-The text of the admiralty announce

nent reads: "The vice admiral at Dover reports barded in the early hours Tuesday The registering, rather than postponement enemy shore batteries returned our

the provost marshal general. He said destroyers, the S-20, was sunk by our 215 feet in length.

United States Trade to

Get Ten Billion in Year New York-Ten billion dollars to be pent during the coming year by the United States and the allied govern- the past as a normal price. ments for the products of American exemption work may be expedited farms, mines and factories, Secretary and notifications of final selections McAdoo declared here Tuesday night, will bring to the country the greatest prosperity in its history.

Some people profess apprehension BABY PLAGUE BEING TRACED about the future of business," said Mr. McAdoo. "Why, gentlemen, prosperity in the next 12 months will be greater than it ever has been in our history. You cannot prevent it if you try. "The only thing that could stop prosperity would be the refusal of the people to support the reasonable measures of taxation that are needed and to buy the bonds of the government."

The secretary addressed a great mass battle front to supply the means that

Judge Lindsey Attacked.

here Wednesday by Bennie Huffman, The report says that males apparent- 14 years old, and Mrs. Huffman, the highway robbery.

Both Mrs. Huffman and her son grasped the judge around the neck. Washington, D. C.—At the request Slight wounds were inflicted by the condition.

Artillery More Active.

London - Considerable activity was British front in France have recaptured the advanced positions near Cherisy, taken by the Germans in Saturday night's attack, and have re-Rome—Itailan troops Tuesday with- pulsed hostile raids near La Basse and

Slackers Rush to Altar.

New York-On the eve of registra- ment. tion day hundreds of men and women gathered in the municipal building to and back to their own positions with obtain marriage licenses, which were being issued at the rate of one every minute and a half. Before noon 125 licenses had been handed out and 50 ouples had been married in the chapel. City officials in charge of the license wives in the hope draft.

Russians Win Positions.

Petrograd, via London - Russian must be host at a banquet to the rest. scouts Tuesday broke through four

Pnevi, drove the Germans from their

the War office announced.

Brussiloff in Command. Petrograd-General Michael V. Alegieff, commander in chief of the Russian armies, has resigned. General Alexis Brussiloff, commander in chief of the armies on the southwestern front, has been appointed to succeed him. Genreal Gurko, commander of

141 Alien Enemies Taken.

New York-The government's activities against alien enemies, it was

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Union county crops, long held back by unusually cold and sunless weather, are fairly "jumping" out of the soil this week, following several days of improved weather.

Harold Hansen, of Carlton, about 30 years old and a native of Denmark, was crushed to death Friday about midnight by a cave-in in the tunne

Recommendation of Coos Bay for an aeroplane base by the naval commis sion was the result of a recent visit to Marshfield by the two submarines H-1 and H-2 and the lieutenants who were instructed to examine Coast ports for submarine and aircraft bases.

Judge Charles L. McNary, Republican, of Salem, has been appointed London-A German destroyer has United States senator for Oregon, to been sunk and another damaged in a succeed Senator Harry Lane. The running fight between six German de-official announcement of the appoint-General Crowder told the committee the additional 125,000 would be needed to stroyers and Commodore Tyrwhitt's stroyers and Commodore Tyrwhitt's combe, and Judge McNary has left for the stroyer of 500. The German naval base at Ostend, Washington, D. C., to take up the du-

The University of Oregon is considering a plan of sending professors along with military organizations, if the War department will permit such an arrangement, according to an announcement by President P. L. Campbell. The purpose of the plan is to lazily content as any cat, Peter General Crowder told the committee morning. A large number of rounds permit students to continue studies

of the draft for several weeks after fire, but our bombardment forces suf- Oregon State Hospital has been observe, critically, "Business of taking are, Peter. Certainly you were never postulated. "It's sheer idlocy to have command sighted six German destroy- at the institution, and the tubercular and Tad together? That's why she's in the presence of a third party," he dryly. Details of making exemptions also ers and engaged them at long range building, which will be constructed at happy, if you must know-not because were explained to the committee by in a running fight. One of the enemy the rear of the infirmary, and will be you've fallen head over heels in love Merely because I didn't like to show

> When the local committee at Moro was canvassing the prospects of selling good home. Liberty Bonds recently, P. W. Strong, a farmer living near there, stepped up and said he would take \$2500 and also during the period of the war he would invest 50 per cent of his income each year from his farm if he realized the to marry you yet?" expected war profit on his crops over and above what had been considered in

With Salem's share of the Liberty Loan bond issue set at the \$300,000 mark, active steps are being taken there to float the city's share. Carl S. Kelty, of the Lumbermen's Trust company of Portland, is to assist in the movement and is co-operating with the Salem Commercial club. That club itself took \$3000 worth of the bonds, it being the first commercial organization in the Uinted States to make a move of this kind, and it has been in the well-known sex. Man, possessed commended by Secretary McAdoo for of brain, reasons to a logical conclu-

meeting at Carnegie hall in behalf of bodied men, commencing June 1, would claims her choice was dictated by a the Libery Loan, which, he warns, be \$3.18, which is declared to be the mysterious faculty denied to man. The paving brick and light and power industries protested against the proposed
inquiry financed by the Rockefeller would succeed as it must succeed pany said the flat wage would be \$3 a Secretly charmed, Mrs. Beggarstaff will enable the government to provide for the soldiers who go to the front.

day, with an added bonus of 6 per cent wrinkled her nose unbecomingly. "For once you admit man is deficient" for all who had worked for two weeks. once you admit man is deficient."

Practically all of the 400 acres of flax selected by the Salem Commercial sance, and strolled aft, leaving Mrs. Denver-Judge J. B. Lindsey, of the club for sowing this year had been Beggarstaff to gnaw her nether lip over of the place from its namesake across disease usually develops from three to Juvenile court, and a nationally-known seeded, according to a statement made the discovery, too tardily made to be work.

Stockmen from various sections of Douglas county reported during the past few days that many horses had become affected with what is known as "pink eye" and that in some instances the animals are in a serious

Baker county officials have informed State Treasurer Kay that they intend in the angle of the start and rail, to pay for that county's share of the Quoin at her side. state tax, only 6 per cent more than was paid for the state tax last year, he turned sulkily to that quarter, or \$59,839. The amount of state tax where, at least, a cheerful disposition last year, or \$59,839. The amount of wouldn't go unappreciated. Indeed, he state tax which has been assessed was welcome. Having privately disagainst Baker county is \$62,646.90.

er, it was decided that all local Fourth triously conducting themselves in as of July events would be given under smartly an unloverlike manner as posthe joint auspices of the Twelfth com- sible. A tentative third was always pany, Coast artillery corps, and the encouraged in their company, local chapter of the Red Cross. The "Sit down there," Craven city will give these organizations a participate in other forms of entertain- asked me to be master of ceremonles

state bank examiner, and his appointment was unanimously confirmed by the State Banking board.

The Newberg Commerial club is putting on a novel gardening contest, bureau declared the majority of the Twelve prominent business men are prospective bridegrooms were taking enrolled. Each will plant, hoe and mendously: so much the more reason care for two rows of potatoes in the to fear his influence! vacant block across from the city hall.

Stanley Hickey of Cottage Grove, American naval operations in Euro- against the Jews in Palestine. King rows of wire entanglements in front of has a ewe which he thinks is a prizethe German position near Kovel and winner. Within 14 months she gave dispersed the Teuton barrier guards. birth to seven lambs. The first birth Farther south in the Carpathian was twins, the second triplets and the ntains Russian scouts penetrated third twins. She is of the Suropshire the German wire entanglements near breed and gave a good clip of wool.

Chief Grant, Sheriff Burns and deptrenches and captured a machine gun, uties, of Astoria, searched the steam schooner Florence Olsen, which arrived recently from San Francisco. They found five five-gallon kegs and on two-gallon demijohn of whiskey and three sacks of bottled beer, which they confiscated.

> Although fishermen were not agreed with the Macleay company at Wedderburn, near Marshfield, on the price for catches and did not begin fishing until eight days after the season opened, the pack at the cannery is 500 cases ahead of the same date last year.

The Hammond Lumber company at learned here Wednesday, have resulted Mill City is now paying \$3 a day for Laredo, Tex. - Silvio Cambiagio, in arrests of 141 persons in recent common labor in its big mill and near-Italian minister to Mexico, arrived weeks in this district, which includes by logging camps. An increase of 25 wherever found. Several negroes Mexico City on his way to Italy. The Western Connecticut. The specific Wednesday. The mill had raised the were injured so severely they probably minister told newspaper men that he charge in each case has not been made pay from \$2.50 to \$2.75 only a short

SHEEP'S **CLOTHING**

By LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE THE LONE WOLF," "THE BRASS BOWL"

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CHAPTER VI.

"There, Peter," announced Mrs. Beggarstaff, "there goes a very happy girl !" Her amazing complacency would have suited a fairy godmother gloat-

ing over some signal beneficence. Past the deck chair in which she was reclining, with Peter Traft at her side, arm in arm, Lydia Craven and Mrs. Merrilees were striding briskly of laughter as musical as singing glass, and bore it to the ears of her two devoted admirers.

"Um-hm," Peter assented indistinctly between teeth gripping the mouthplece of his pipe. Basking in the warmth of a late Suptember sun, as watched the girls swing down the deck and disappear round the superstruc-Work on all new buildings at the ture. Then he removed the pipe to tific interest. "I really believe you These include the new \$60,- all the credit to yourself-eh?"

"Why not?" the Dowager Dragon with me." demanded with asperlty. "Didn't I with the girl and moon around after her like a stray puppy looking for a vances, you take up with an emergen-

"Ouch!" said Peter pensively, and replaced the pipe.

With a grim sniff, the Dowager Dragon withdrew momentarily into deep thought. "Have you asked her "Who-me?" Peter expostulated. "Nothing like that!"

"Why not?" "Too much sense," Peter explained, rarely sententious.

"Whose-hers?" "Even money you can't guess." "Yours, of course!" "There!" groaned Peter, "I might've

known better than to bet against intuition." "Why plain intuition, Peter? The phrase is rightfully 'feminine intul-

"The weed intuition flourishes only sion; woman-hm!-shuts her lovely All mills on Coos Bay have an- eyes, sticks a pin through the card, unced the minimum wage for able- and if the perforated horse wins,

Grinning, Peter made a quaint obeiability to rest in ignora Craven's whereabouts. For the two young women had failed to round out

their circuit of the deck. Turning past the veranda cafe, at the after extreme of the promenade deck, Peter came upon Mrs. Merrilees. seated at an adjacent table in com-

pany with Craven. A second glance showed him Lydia

In response to a hall from Craven seminated news of their engagement, Through plans effected at Hood Riv- Craven and Mrs. Merrilees were indus-

"Sit down there," Craven insisted. "The steward'll be back in a minute. blanket concession to operate refresh- I want to talk to you about this ment stands, hold open-air dances and wretched concert tonight. They've awful bore!'

With a fixed, agreeable smile, Peter E. F. Slade has been appointed by sat, drank whatever the steward Superintendent of Banks Sargent as a brought him, automatically consumed Craven's cigarettes, and listened without the least interest to the other's plans. How could be be interested, with that fellow Quoin monopolizing Lydia? Not that he didn't like Quoin. In fact, Peter admired that man tre

And Lydia, leaning on the rail, a The man who gets the smallest yield vision more radiant even than the day. "Well?" Craven demanded with pardonable impatience. Peter started and batted his eyes

"Eh?" he inquired stupidly. "What do you think?" "Ah-about what?" "Good heavens!" Craven exploded

a full, deep note of exasperation. "Here I sit yammering at you-" "Sorry," said Peter. "Fact is-I

know Mrs. Merrilees won't mind being let into my confidence on the ground floor-fact is, I'm in love with your joined in a general laugh as Craven daughter, Tad. And Quoin's talking reappeared with a small dispatch box knees and resumed his wild sutice to her. So, naturally, I'm sick with of black metal. jenlousy." "It's like your cheek," observed

matter to Lydia?" "Certainly not! She's having too good a time. Women won't listen to a "I was merely swearing I meant to be tively unhappy."

lovesick vapors?" "Well, I wanted to see how rusty staff has discovered my hideous secret, and is now busy-or about to

"Can't you shut her up?" "The law forbide cruel and inhuman the effect on her four friends.

be distributing handbills."

PETER TRAFT CONFESSES HIS LOVE FOR LYDIA CRAVEN. AND MRS. MERRILEES SHOWS A MAGNIFICENT PEARL NECKLACE WHICH SHE PROMISES TO GIVE LYDIA

SYNOPSIS .- A well-bred young Englishwoman, nervous and suspicious, finds when she boards the steamer Alsatia, bound from Liverpool to New York, that her stateroom mate is Mrs. Amelia Beggarstaff, a fascinating, wealthy American widow of about sixty years. The girl introduces herself as Lucy Carteret and says she is going to America to meet her father. Lucy's behavior puzzles Mrs. Beggarstaff, who is vastly surprised to find the girl in possession of a magnificent necklace, stolen from a museum some time previously and passes the news on to her friend, Quoin, a private detective on board. Lucy, dressing in the dark in her sts eroom, hears a mysterious conversation between two men just outside her window and recognizes one of them as Thaddeus Craven, her father, whom she hasn't seen for five years. She confesses to Mrs. Beggarstaff that she is in reality Lydia Craven. The girl discovers her father and young Mrs. Merrilees, a charming widow, engaged to be married. Mrs. Merrilees is bewildered for a moment because Craven had always posed as a bachelor, but she and Lydia like one another. Craven tells Lydia he secretly represents the British government in the United States.

punishments. Besides, I'm not sure | At length, "Sixty thousand dollars?" Rare color warmed the face of of the fact, and if I let the Beggarstaff Craven's daughter, mirth danced in her alone, sooner or later she or someone eyes, a smile edged the pretty lips will mention the mafter to Lydia, and

"Than Quoin, I mean." "Curse It!" said Peter, flushing.

said severely, "slander is actionable, my distaste for your infatuated adcy ration like Tad here, and then get sore because I don't forbid the bannspeevish child!"

"Just for that," said the woman, just for that, Peter, I'm going to thing, take all the fun out of my sur-

"Be quiet, Tad, and run an errand for me, like a biddable child." Mrs.

forward, while his flancee cradled her chin in her hand and regarded Peter with a whimsical smile. "You "Quit it!" he said crossly.

"Others? I never looked cross-eyed at a girl before this." "Peter!" "Well, hardly ever. And, anyway, from now on I'm going to wear a sign-

Private. No Thoroughfare. This means you! "It seems so funny-you!" Laugh-

"Promise never to call me 'mamma," and I'll do my best for you." "What chance have I got, with Quoin making the pace? He's a regu-

lar fellow-I'm only a drawing room "He's a strange man," Mrs. Merriees mused. "If he hadn't taken up

hand now; aboard this vessel, I "Call him, and I'll ask." Peter complied with the best grace imaginable. "Quoin! I say, Addison, come over here a minute. A beautiful lady wants to ask you something. In a lower tone he added, "You're the best little diplomat ever. I'll be grateful as long as I live." And rising with

chairs for Lydia and Quoin. "Yes, Mrs. Merrilees?" the detective nquired, taking the place at her side "Peter and I have been bickering about you," the lady fibbed brazenly. "Are you, or are you not, wasting your

n your conscience?" he advanced ten tatively. "You don't mean to try any "I can't make up my mind. I'd love

"Only in your interests. Be adised-don't!

can get away with it?" the detective seriously, "because it while he galloped around the room on can't be done. The customs people are his hands and knees.

on the force knows it was your agent clinging to his back with all their might who secretly purchased that three-hun- -they wouldn't let go-the man stood dred thousand franc pearl-and-dia- up and bowed. mond collar at Cottier's in Paris." "But I've quite made up my mind live in the apartment opposite yours

"Not worth repeating," his fiancee horse did they discover he was their reported, fitting a key into the lock.

you'd cut up. Besides, Mrs. Beggar- moved a handsome jewel case of first advance into Serbia. and disclosed that same necklace in charge of the supply department

"My dear man, I do believe you've seen the bill!" Smiling, the detective shook his

"Worth half as much again," Mrs. Craven turned to inspect the pair Merrilees affirmed, "Cottler wanted ninety."

> Quoin pursued, knitting his brows; "but I'd like to look at them in a stronger light."

"Take them out into the sun, if you Craven sat forward in nervous im patience. "Do be reasonable!" he exknows who spying! And there are Peter, by this time recovered, fixed some queer fish aboard-eh, Quoin?" "Rather!" the detective agreed

> "Please be advised!" Craven urged Lock that thing up again and let me take it back to the purser." "Tud, you're tiresome!" Mrs. Merri-

lees began But Quoin interrupted. "Craven is right. "Oh, well! If you will spoil every-

"Surprise?" Peter echoed. Mrs. Merrilees nodded emphatically. "Look well at them, my friends; for the minute I get them through the customs, to safe deposit they go and there remain." She paused deliberately, with a challenging smile.

"Why?" Peter demanded blankly. "Don't you ever mean to wear 'em, She shook her head. "They're not

for me, Peter. If I dared smuggle, I should wear them, just to be sassy about it. But since I don't dare, I mean to keep them for a wedding present to my stepdaughter-if I ever have one." She closed the case with a snap. Lydia sat back with a little gasp. her eyes blank with confusion. Quoin laughed an odd, brief laugh, and glanced askance at Craven. This last turned to his betrothed with a startled gesture and lips that gaped. Pe-

ter Traft alone betrayed no abnormal emotion. Grinning cheerfully, he watched the two women, absorbed in each other-Lydia finding breath enough for the protest, "But, Mrs. Merrilees, you mustn't!" the other confirming her intention with an emphatic nod and the statement, "But I've made up my mind, dear; so you may as well give me my head. Besides, you promised always to call me Betty." Locking the metal box, she rose. "Come, Tad. I owe my appetite five

eon. Peter, please take this back to the purser and get his receipt. If you're afraid, Lydia'll go along to protect you." "What becomes of me?" Quoin de-

more laps round the deck before lunch-

manded with mock truculence. "You're to walk the other side of me," the lady ordered imperiously, "and help me make Tad behave." Craven breathed heavily. "Whether I like it or not-" With a last reluctant glance at the treasure box, he rose and somewhat sulkily prepared to obey orders.

What do you think about this man Quoin? Is he strictly on the level-or do you suspect him of connection with the professional smugglers aboard?

CTO BE CONTINUED.

Only by Accident Did Residents of

Apartment in Big City Discover

Neighbor Is Old Friend. Two boisterous children romping in the halls of a large uptown apartment "Why?" Mrs. Merrilees pouted, house in New York met a middle-aged "Why not, if, as Peter would say, I man and forcibly dragged him into the library, where they proceeded to "play "If for no more moral reason," said horse" with him by riding on his back

They made so much noise that members of the family opened the door and "Don't deceive yourself. Every man looked in. With the two children still "Pardon me," he said. "You see, L-

never to stoop to anything so truly and your children are very old friends of mine. We play together on the Over this virtuous protestation Mrs. stairs. But I have not seen them for Merrilees pursed prim lips belied by so long that this evening I ventured Then he went back to his hands and

with the children. "Mayn't I giggle too?" he inquired As it developed, he was a man the plaintively, looking from face to face family had met abroad a year before. Not until the children used him as a

Such is life in New York apartments

Efficiency in War

The usual means of transportation In the Bulgarian army used to be the Opening the dispatch box, she re- ox-cart. It was used, indeed, in the grained morocco, unlocked this in turn, motortruck has replaced it. The officer which Quoin had just named, watch- says that one truck does in a day the ing with a smile of gratified vanity work of 500 oxen, 250 carts and 300 men.

I want her hushed. I'm not ashamed Quoin inquired listlessly, from which the breeze caught a snatch | then-well, rouse a woman's curiosity, head. and half your battle's won."

> at the rail. "She might do worse," he "They seem perfectly matched," observed. "Thanks!"

> "I'm in earnest, Tad." "I believe you are," Mrs. Merrilees interjected with dispassionate scienso intolerably stupid when in love that thing up here at all, with God

heap coals of fire upon your ungrate- prise. rul head-and heaven knows I hope they'll scorch and blister-" "Marble?" Craven suggested with open incredulity.

Merrilees loosed the drawstring of a lacework wristbag, took out a tiny pocketbook, and from this last extracted a slip of paper. "Take that to the Betty?" purser and bring me what it calls for." With assumed reluctance Craven heaved up from his place and rolled

haven't got anything on me, you "How about the others?"

board here." He sketched the site upon his waistcoat:

ing quietly, the woman looked up to review Lydia with a long glance. 'She's a dear girl," she observed.

such an impossible profession-" "Do you suppose he has a case in

the sunniest of smiles, he drew up

brilliant talents on my devoted trail?" Quoin looked puzzled. "Something SUCH IS LIFE IN NEW YORK

smuggling this trip. I hope," to. Are you interested?"

laying for you." "They'll be disappointed."

low as smuggling." dancing eyes; then broke down and to renew acquaintance with them."

Craven. "Have you mentioned the as he delivered the box to its owner.

gratuitous lover unless bored or ac- good-when every blessed drop of blood in me cries out against the sin-"Then why bother me with your ful extravagance of paying duty onthis!"