

\$300,000 R. R. Bonds Deal Closed

SIX LARGEST ENGLISH LINERS TO BREAK BLOCKADE

CITY COUNCIL CLOSES WITH BONDING HOUSE

UNKNOWN BUYER MAKES 11TH HOUR STAND

Following Reading of Resolution by Which Council Accepts Sptiser-Rorick's Bid, Alleged Representative of Portland Firm Says He Can Do Better—Fails to Show Credentials or Cash—Asks Postponement.

The city council sold the railroad bonds for \$300,000 with 6 per cent interest at par and with accrued interest starting at date of bonds when they accepted Sptiser-Rorick's proposal presented by Mr. Long, their representative, who has been in the city, last night in a resolution unanimously passed by the council.

The meeting took a dramatic turn when a man giving his name as P. A. Gilmore, and claiming to represent a bonding house by the name of Miller & Co. of Portland, asked the council to consider his bid, which he said would be better than Sptiser-Rorick's.

Questioning by Councilmen Miller and Struble brought out the facts that Mr. Gilmore first arrived here on Wednesday, but had placed no bid with the council. The council was disinclined to consider his offer, as he presented no references, had had opportunity to put in a bid without waiting until the last minute, and after hearing the Toledo firm's offer.

When asked by Miller and Struble why he had not put in a bid earlier, Mr. Gilmore said that he had been out of town all day, and only returned on the evening train. Mr. Gilmore admitted that he might have made a statement two days before the meeting, that he was here to put in a bid for these bonds, although he did not remember it. The council did not consider his proposal after further questioning, and was supported in their action by the council chamber of citizens present.

The Sptiser-Rorick proposal as

LINERS COLLIDE NEAR EUREKA

PACIFIC COAST LINERS MEET OFF POINT WHERE THREE OTHER VESSELS WERE RECENTLY WRECKED

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 24.—The liner Senator, southbound, collided with the steamer Northland this morning near Eureka, badly damaging the latter, according to meager reports received by the Merchant's exchange.

The Northland headed about for San Francisco at full speed. The Senator is somewhat damaged above the water line. No casualties are reported from either vessel.

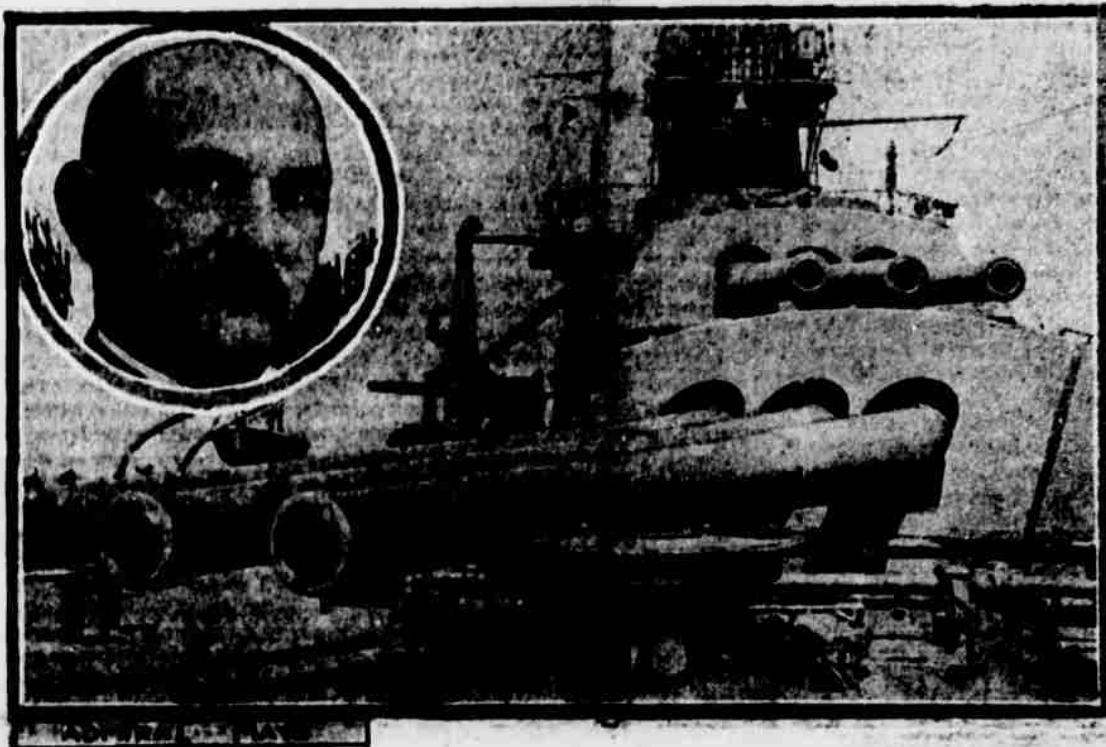
given by Mr. Long is that the bonding house will have the money ready for the city as soon as the bonds are prepared, and a clause in the contract provides that they will supply them as desired by the city. "The city has the right to accept or reject the bonds within fifteen days, allowing time for Mr. Strahorn to take up his loose ends for the railroad work," said City Attorney Groesbeck today.

The city council has taken the greatest care in the preparing and working out of the details for these bonds, and believes that it has concluded the work in a manner that will be agreeable to all concerned, according to Mr. Groesbeck.

The first proposition submitted by the bonding house was not accepted entirely by the council, and on account of the condition of the bond market, due to the war situation, the Sptiser-Rorick company desired to negotiate further. The sale of the bonds has been accomplished, and all gained that was hoped for, according to Mr. Groesbeck.

The vote of the members of the council was unanimous, not a vote being cast against the resolution, which included the contract with the bonding house.

These Guns Superior to Anything in German Navy



These mighty 14-inch rifles of the man navy. No single battleship of the kaiser could cope with this vessel. In fact, only the five great warships of the type of the Queen Elizabeth, finished since the beginning of the war by Great Britain, are the equal of the Pennsylvania.

School Board Calls Special Election to Pick School Site

Voters to Decide on March 7 Whether They Want Site for New School House and Grounds in Nichols' Addition Not to Cost Over \$45,000

The school board of District No. 1 passed a resolution last night which calls for a school election to be held on Wednesday, March 7th, when the legal voters of the district are to decide whether or no they desire to purchase a site across the street from the Reclamation offices for a school site.

This site includes blocks 45 and 50 in the W. I. Nichols addition, and is located between Eleventh and Tenth streets. Included in the resolution and to be placed on the election ballot is the stipulation that the site is not to cost more than \$45,000. The school board has been working on this for some time, and has care-

fully gone into the situation in the city. The election will provide only for the purchase of the site, if it carries, with the intention of using the site for a school building and school grounds at a date in the future. The election will be held at the Central school house.

BRITISH PLANS RUN THEM TO NEW YORK

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Hogs established a new record today, selling at \$13 per hundred on foot, highest price ever paid here.

THREE APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP

GERMAN, ENGLISHMAN AND AUSTRIAN FILE CITIZENSHIP PAPERS SINCE JANUARY 1ST, AND EACH ONE NAMED JOSEPH

That the present almost worldwide struggle in Europe is not causing estrangement entirely of native born citizens of those countries in Klamath county is disproved by the fact that a citizen of Germany, one of England and one of Austria have filed papers with the circuit court clerk here this year for naturalization papers.

Furthermore, that there is little in a name, perhaps, is shown by the fact that each applicant's given name is Joseph.

The men are Joseph Higler of Merrill, of German birth; Joseph Myeds-cough of this city, of English birth, and Joseph Michs of Malin, of Austrian birth.

Lecture Tomorrow Night

Victor J. McCone of Portland, state secretary of the socialist party and editor of the Oregon Herald, will lecture at the Odd Fellows' hall on tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. An executive meeting will be held in the evening to discuss party matters. The women members of the organization will serve dinner in the banquet hall at 5 o'clock.

SAY THEY ARE SPEEDY ENOUGH TO AVOID SUBMARINES

England Plans to Break Blockade With the Biggest and Fastest Liners Now Afloat, Running Them as Freighters From Liverpool to New York—Claim Speedy Enough to Avoid Submarines.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Seven Dutch ships, totaling more than 27,000 tons, were victims in the barred zone Thursday, it is announced. The vessels were sunk at the western approach of the English channel.

Four were bound homeward with full cargoes. The Dutch authorities had arranged for their passage through the danger zone. They were the Zeandijk, Noorddyk, Eemland, Gasterland, Jacstra, Menade, Bandoeng. British steamers Trojan Prince and Grenadier were also sunk. The captain and six of the crew of the Grenadier were killed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—England plans to smash the German submarine blockade about the British Isles with six of the biggest and fastest liners now afloat, which will be used as freighters between New York and Liverpool, it is reported.

These vessels are the Aquitania, Olympic, France, Statendam, Mauretania and Beigneland. It is said they are speedy enough to avoid the submarines and large enough to carry immense cargoes.

Germany Admits Mistake

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 24.—The sinking of the Swedish steamer Edda was a "mistake of the German submarine commander," the German minister to Sweden has informed the Swedish government. He expressed Germany's formal regret, and promised indemnity for the loss.

Up From Merrill. Guy Merrill is in the city today from Merrill on business.

Party Filibuster Against Wilson

Smoot Admits Stand Against Legislation Giving President Power to Handle International Situation

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—"An uncompromising republican filibuster against the passage of the administration's legislation is a direct effort to frustrate attempts to clothe the president with unlimited power to handle the international situation," Senator Smoot admitted today.

"Should congress vest the president with the authority he desires, it would empower him to lead this country into war which might prove disastrous," said Smoot. President Wilson may ask congress for undivided and non-partisan support unless opposition stops, it is reported.

THREE SUBSCRIBE TO R. R. FUNDS

SUM OF \$615 REPORTED BY C. W. EBERLEIN—PAUL JOHNSON TO PRISCO, AND CAPTAIN SIEMENS EXPECTS TO GO TOMORROW

Three more subscriptions to the railroad fund are announced today by Chas. W. Eberlein. W. Paul Johnson left this morning for San Francisco for the purpose of raising more funds, and Captain J. W. Siemens expects to leave in the morning for the same purpose. The subscriptions were: Joe McDonald \$500.00 R. H. Dunbar 100.00 Chas. W. Thomas 15.00

General Funston Buried

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—With the most impressive military ceremony ever seen in San Francisco, the body of "Fighting Fred" Funston, major general southern department United States army, was laid to rest in the national cemetery in the Presidio this morning beside the grave of his little son, Arthur McArthur Funston.

Writ of Review Granted

An order for a writ of review in the circuit court in the case of F. C. DeChain against E. W. Gowen and W. M. Duncan has been filed with circuit court clerk. Mr. DeChain was fined in the justice court, and has brought this action to secure a review.

WILLARD SERVICE HELD TOMORROW

CHORUS OF 35 VOICES WILL BE SPECIAL FEATURE OF MEMORIAL SERVICES BY W. C. T. U. AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A chorus of thirty-five voices is to be a big feature of the Frances E. Willard memorial services to be held at the Christian church tomorrow night. Miss Laura Hammer, president of the local W. C. T. U., will preside at the meeting. Professor M. S. Taylor, director of the music department at the high school, will have charge of the musical program, and will direct the chorus. The service is a union church service.

Mooney Sentenced to Hang on May 17

Convicted Bomb Planter Sentenced Today—Judge Denies Motion for a New Trial

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—Thos. J. Mooney, convicted for planting a bomb killing ten and injuring fifty persons in the preparedness parade here last July, was sentenced to hang at San Quentin on May 17, this morning. Before the sentence was pronounced, Judge Griffin denied defense motion for new trial. Attorney Lawlor

served notice of appeal. Mooney paid when sentence was pronounced, but collapsed his mother, who collapsed. He attempted to make a statement, but the judge could not permit it, he declared. This was the first death sentence pronounced by Griffin, and he was noticeably nervous, his voice quavering.