THIRTY-EIGHTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1916

About one half of the voters of Marion county have register-ed for the primaries and only 21

re days remain to place their

names on the books before April

names on the books before April 18. Up to March 18 a total of 8,753 had registered in this county of which 5,711 were males and 1,002 were females. During the last week 589 males and 479 females or a total of 1,008 had registered which is about the breather.

about the lurgest week's busi-ness since the books have been

opened. An unprecedented rush opened. An unprecedented rush as expected during the last few days at the county clerk a office and those who wait cutil the eleventh hour are undoubtedly due for a long wait is line before the registration clerks.

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HALF OF VOTERS

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# GIVES OUTLINE OF ENGLAND'S Pa ICY AFTER WARE VDS

President Runciman of ard of Trade Talks of Commercial War

SAYS PRESENT ALLIES WILL REMAIN UNITED

Says "Germany Will Never Suspected of Poisoning His Another Report Places Him DOUGLAS AT MERCY Again Raise Her Helmet" In Peaceful World

By Wilbur S. Forrest.

(United Press staff correspondent) London, Mar. 24.—German, will nev-er again "raise herchelmet" in a world engaged in peaceful pursuits, President Walter Runciman of the board of trade declared in an exclusive interview given the United Press today, officially outlining for the first time the nilies' commercial plans after the war.

England does not contemplate a throttling that will leave the German people crushed in poverty, unable to rise again he said, but peaceful preparations as a means to a military cod will never again be tolerated by England, France, Russia and Italy, Runsiman as-

"Nor can we submit to most favored nation's clauses in commercial treaties being utilized to the detriment of any one of the allied consertes. We object to Germany using her resources and commercial relations with us for pur-pose of aggression as she did in preparation for this war.

Runniman's statement is of the highest importance in view of the forth-coming allied conference in Paris, which he will attend. American traders and manufacturers, he indicated must prepare for a rigid, though friendly British commercial competition in neu-

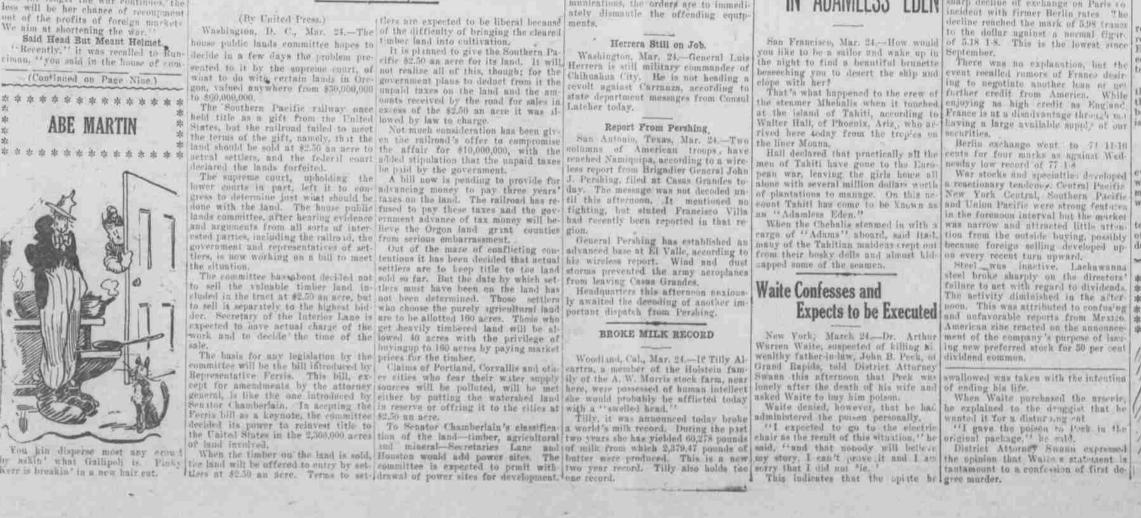
Germany to Wage Economic War

victory in this war,

"Germany's power of resistance, as well as ours, depends upon the extent of her material resources. These we must as an act of war diminist in value. We must do everything in our power to prevent her from accumulating stocks or adding to her wealth abreat. We predicting exercities in our power to the present the prediction of the control of t doing everything in our power to pre-vest this. We can't allow our titizens to trade with German firms in China. from whom we are withholding supplied. That is only one of many instances. We want to make it clear to Germane that the longer the war continues the less will be her change of recoupaness out of the profits of foreign unriest. We aim at shortening the war.

cionn, "you said in the house of com-





kerr is breakin' in a new bair out.

#### GERMANS DIG AGAIN

Mar. 24.—Subscriptions totaling more than \$2,000,000,000 have been made to the fourth German war loan, which is a great success. Fin-ancial Secretary Von Hefferich told the reichstag today.

NORTH PORTLAND POSTMASTER

# DR. WAITE ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

Father-in-Law and Mrs. Ring Who Died Tuesday

DOCTOR ADMITS IT

New York, Mnr. 24,-District day that Dr. Arthur Warren Waite admitted to detectives guarding him that he gave arsenie to his father-in-law, John E. Peek, Grand Rapids millomaire, because Peck said he wanted to die.

New York, Mar, 24—Dr. Arthur War-en Waite, suspected of poisoning John Peck, of Grand Rapids, Mich., his ather in law, will be moved from his salatial Riverside Drive apartments to cell in the Tombs today.

Guards who watched by his bedside during the night, while he was too ill to be juiled, declared that he was slowly recovering from the effects of an opi-ate which sent him into a state of come when detectives called for him yester-day. Before tonight Dr. Waite may be availabled by a characteristic of the company of th be arraigned on a charge of murder.

District Attorney Swann is preparting to submit his evidence to the grand jury. Besides testimony renearing the death of Peck, the district attorney clared V

# COLONEL BERTANI SENDS WORD VILLA IS SURROUNDED

Washington, Mar. 24.—President Wilson today nominated George B. Mokel as postmaster at North Portland. Ore. tic and Says:

> "VILLA CANNOT ESCAPE HIS CAPTURE IMMINENT

100 Miles From Where He Is "Surrounded"

(United Press staff correspondent.) El Paso. Texas, Mar. 24, Francisco Villa is reported surrounded. He may be engaged in battle by American

According to a message from Colonel Bertani, Carraffillstas routed Villa cast of Namiquipa, and the bandit chief war then enveloped by Bertani's troops and the Americans under Brigadier General John J. Pershing.

during the night.

In his report, Bertani said Villa retreated toward El Oso, five miles south of Namiquipa, after a fight in which he lost several and killed 100 horses.

The Americans expectation of them to reach Douglas in case of attach.

thermany has announced that at the conclusion of this war she will attempt to establish a customs union of the crn tral powers on aggressive lines. The said. This can only mean that she intends to follow up the present conflict with an economic war.

The police are scrittly a mysterical from the Plaza hotel while destroy and our allies will know how to meet an aggressive war of that nature just as we have met hostile action for the last 20 months. But we will be better prepared for the threatened economic war.

We are much obligad to Dr. Waite on the death of Mrs. Chew. who evidence bearing to the death of Mrs. Chew. who evidence bearing the would kill all and the death of Mrs. Chew. who evidence bearing he would train mean stalked through the cars, declaring he would kill all and Americans aboard. No Americans were found. Villa also informed the passengers that General Luis Herrera is loyal gers that General Luis Herrera is loyal to Carranza. Arrivals from Chihuaham City officials quote Herrera was suggrously asserting his loyalty. Other reports was Herrera was angry. Douglas Air.

Mexicans could easily repeat the Columbus massacre here on a much larger seal. On the cars, declaring he would kill all and the cars, declaring he w testives were on her than a sure angresslve war of that nature just as we have mot hostile action for the last 20 months. But we will be helter prepared for the threatened economic war. We are much obliged to Germany for warning us beforehand.

\*\*The conomic war which she it reatens would be a permanent barrier to the penceful development of Europe. I have myself used language hostile in character in regard to Germany's trade. I do so, believing that evisions in this war.

\*\*M. O. Evans, state assistant leader of enemy's trade was an essential step to victory in this war.

\*\*Gormany's nower of resistants, as

# COMMITTEE READY TO REPORT ON FORFEITED RAILROAD LAND GRANT

(By United Fress.)
Washington, D. C., Mar. 24.—The of the difficulty of bringing the cleared ments.

Wireless Station Unt Out.

ately dismoutle the offending equip

# TURNED TURTLE

A. G. Crossan With Mercer Not Badly Hurt, Being Thrown Clear of Car

**BUT IT STRUCK MERCER** CRUSHING HIS SKULL

### Morning As They Were OF CARRANZISTAS Going to McMinnville

3,000' Mexican Cavalry and Lloyd J. Mercer, an employe of the Pregon Hop Growers' association, residing at 1330 Marion street, in this city, was instantly killed at 8:30 this morning when his car turned turtle on the McMinnville road about four miles on this side of McMinnville. Mercur and A. G. Crossman, also an employe of the association, were going to Me. Washington, Mar. 24-Mexicans have 40 cannon and 3,000 cavalrymen very close to the center of Douglas, Arizona, according to a telegram received by Minnville on business and were travel-Senator Ashurst today from D. A. Riching along the macadam road at a good Consul Garcia made fublic Bertani's arrives of that city. "The report, stating that it was impossible for Villa to escape the trap, and that his capture was imminently expected. Villa will fight to the death to avoid capture, it is believed here. Garcially stationed six miles south of Douglas, and the bandit might try to escape during the night.

Senator Ashurst tolay from D. A. Richian ing along the macadam road at a moderate rate of speed when the left band levy and 3,000 cavalry stationed 10 take of the car s'up o into the distant blocks from the center of Douglas," along the side of the car s'up o into the distant blocks from the center of Douglas, and the bandit might try to escape during the night.

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The Americans co-operating with the Carranzietus against Villa nes believed to be either Colonel Dodd's or General to be either Colonel Dodd's or General persising's men who were sent sunfty and from Casas Grandes in troop trains over the Mexico Nosthwestern and surface and from Casas Grandes in troop trains over the Mexico Nosthwestern and surface and from Casas Grandes in troop trains over the Mexico Nosthwestern and surface and from Casas Grandes in troop trains over the Mexico Nosthwestern and surface and from the machine set made his wire entanglements in place.

Jose Flores, arriving at El Paso, defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active defense preparations for fear the Mexico and from the machine and active the vide with the found in the misconstruction to make any active fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active fear the Mexico and might misconstruction to make any active fear the Mexico and might misconstruction t

fall from the machine, was not safficient to crush his skull in the marker in which it was disclosed after the periodest.

Surposan called for assistance and a farmer who lived near came up and finding Crossan practically unburt and Mercer dead hastened to telephone for and the coroner arrived they cranked up the car which had been in the accident and it was found that it was not invested to any particular and as a content of the doctor and the coroner arrived they cranked up the car which had been in the accident and it was found that it was not invested to any particular and as a content of the doctor and was precised as a content of the form of the coroner arrived they cranked as everal.

'Acomer!' (to cut) was the answer in each case. ollowing reports that 2,000 de facto cdent and it was found that it was not injured in any particular and was believen back to town without repairs.

Cantu Stands by Carranza.

San Diego, Cal., Mar. 24.—Governor Cantu, of Lower California, today telegraphed the local Mexican consul denying reports that he (Cantu, would as months and was highly recommended. ing reports that he (Cantu) would entablish an independent ferritory in Lower California in case of trouble besteady reliable young man of good habtween the United States and Mexico. its. No function for about the latest and the control of the co Canta affirmed that he would remain been announced. The Polk county con loyal to Carranga.

# San Antonio, Texas, Mur. 24.—Twen-y-five small stations near here have need dismanifed by the government today. If amuteur operators interfere with General Pershing's wireless communications, the orders are to immedi-IN ADAMLESS EDEN

#### ENGLAND REPUSES

Washington, Mar. 24.—The al-lies joint reply to the state de-partment's proposal that mer-chantmen be disarmed was received today. It is unformed on the highest authority that proposition was not accept-The reply, it is said, states that the present situation and conditions of naval warfare would not warrant the sob-jection of peaceful trading ves-sels to the risks which might follow disarmament.

# WHY CARRANZA HAS NOT CAPTURED VILLA

## Accident Happened This His Ragamussin "Army" Is Paris Believes Final Decisive Afraid of Villa, Join the Army to Eat

By H. C. Boehme, (United Press staff correspondent,) Douglas, Ariz., Mar. 24,- Why haven't Carranza forces captured Vil-

This Villista, living incognito here leatily attacking Friedricistadt and Ilponited across the international line, a mile away and said:

"Go there! Ask to be shown the soldiers of the facto government and you will see the answer. They're afraid!" In Agua Prieta across the line, 300 a front of 140 miles. Success there colonel, a large man in white duck suit was the only individual of the assemblage who from appearances might be

maked as a soldier. One of the officers, a captain, wore gold braid, while the remainder of his "staff" were indistinguishable from the "column," The troopers mostly Mayo Indians, in the battered gray-green uniforms provided them, the picture of poverty, looked afraid. The worldly wealth of these soldiers is the bandolier of bullet which girdles their waists or croases their breast. Three-fourths of the countenances which faced about at the command "front" were pitted with the marks of smallpox while the teeth, and eyes, and limbs of the soldiers showed eyes, and limbs of the soldiers showed the blight of other diseases which have

in each case. The most energetic and spirited of the "soldiers" were the "muchaches" (hoys). More than a score not more than 13 years of age, were counted.

Usually those children soldiers were inches shorter than the heavy ruste rifles they toted about.

## Paris Exchange Slumps Berlin Rises, Market Dull

New York, Mar. 21 - The New York Evening Sun's financial review today The only feature that attracted more

than passing attention was the further sharp decline of exchange on Paris co-incident with firmer Berlin rates. The decline reached the mark of 5.98 transa

at the island of Tahiti, according to France is at a diandvantage through m.; believe an import Walter Hall, of Phoenix, Ariz, who are liaving a large available supply of our

# AND LIQUID FIRE

Kuropatkin Making Desperate **Attempt to Force Germans** to Fall Back

FIERCE ATTACKS MADE AROUND DEAD MAN'S HILL

# Action Has Been Begun In Verdun Section

Petrograd, Mar. 24. — Poison gus bombs and liquid fire, the Germans own weapons are being used by the Russians against Germans holding the salient near Jacobstadt, messages from the front said today.

Savage fighting was reported at this point, which is eighty miles southeast of Riga. Simultaneously with their gas bomb and liquid five artacks on Tenton trenches there, the Russians are vio-

General Kuronatkia's aim is apparently to squeeze out Field Marshat Von Hindenburg's troops by threatening to envelop them, thus foreing a retreat on the German line from Riga to Dvimsk, a front of 140 miles. Success there

dertake later. According to the best information, this smush is not the beginning of a great Russian offensive. South of the Dwinsk the Germans are making counter moves, and have halted the Slavs. General Ivanoff is not meeting serious resistance in clearing Austrian troops from the north bank of the Dusister.

## Prench Position Prevarious.

London, Mar. 24.—Germans have redun according to Pahia dispatches to-day, the Teutons started burling chells at French trenches south of Mains-court and Dead Man's hill. French guns

#### Great Artillery Duel.

Puris, Mar. 24.—French artiflery kept up a bombardment of Germans in woods south of Malancourt during the night, said today's official communique. The

German infantry failed to appear. The rest of the front northwest of Verdun was reported culm. West of the claim are afraid of their bunted chief | Meuse an intermittent bombardment was directed against Dousumont and Damloup. The artiflety firing on Woev-re Plain was the most violent since the fighting around Moulainville and Eparges.

A shell erater in the Argonne forest was occupied by Frenca after a sharp fight. Elsewhere there were no im-portant actions last night.

#### May Have Been Sea Fight.

Amsterdam, Mar. 24.—Flushing cor-respondents of Amsterdam newspapers reported sounds of beavy firing in the English channel today. The noise scenttend and Westende.

Incoming skippers today reported that gunfire flashes were visible on the horizon during the night. They believe an important mayal engagement

#### Capture Two Trenches

Berlin, Mar. 24.—Advancing to force evacuation of French positions northwest of Verdus, Germans captured two more trenches in the Hancourt region, it was officially announced today.

Violent Russian attacks all day yesterday and during the night, southeast of Riga, near Dvinsk were broken down by German fire.

# THE WEATHER



Oregonnight ram weet, incensing c'oudiness cast por-tion; Saturday rain west, rain or answeast por-tion; southerly winds.