# AMERICAN STEAMER WITHOUT WARNING

Crew Is Saved But Submarine Refused to Assist Survivors

NO HOPE REMAINS FOR MODIFIED PROCEDURE

Cargo of Food Stuffs Valued at \$1,500,000 and Vessel at \$400,000

tondon, Mar. 14. — The American BIDS FOR CRUISERS and laden with foodstuffs, was torpedeed without warning on Monday morning.
All of the crew of 27 were saved. The

submarine refused to assist the sur-vivors in the lifeboats. The report of the torpedsing was is

sued by the American consul.

Was Not Armed.

New York, Mar. 14.—The American Star Line, owners of the submarined American steamer Algonquin, today re-ceived the following emblegram from Captain Norberg:

March 12, all saved." The cargo of the ship was provisions consigned from Swift & Co.

The Algonquia was not American Star Line stated.

Line officials said there were 22 men in the crew, all Americans.

The Algonquin was placed under American registry in December by the American Star Line, of which John D. Ctephanad, the actual owner, is a di-rector. The ship was insured for her-full value.

Officers of the line said today that the consignment from Swift & Co. alone was valued at \$800,000 and that in addition there was a general cargo esti-mated at about \$700.000, making the total, cargo value about \$1,500,000, and the ship was valued at \$400,000. The chief engineer of the Algonquin was F. total, cargo value about \$1,500,000, and the ship was valued at \$400,000. The chief engineer of the Algonquin was F. Schultz, a native of Germany, but a naturalized American. Most of the members of the crew, it was said, were naturally bers of the crew, it was said, were naturally and thirty one months for specially and thirty one months for specially and thirty one months for specially and thirty one months for specially and thirty and hers of the crew, it was said, were naturalized citizens. The line stated positive-

The officials of the line were cones upon the safe ar | charges

titles of oil cake, corn syrup, chemicals, drugs, machinery and sheet brass. Mis cellaneous cargo also was listed on her nonifest in considerable quantities.

Yesterday, according to a brother of Stephanandis, a New York attorney, inquiry was made of a lawyer regarding propriety of arming the Algonquin British port. The answer was experted today.

C. R. Porres, A. Salina, A. Ruiz, M. was seen to the Sephnfieda, A. Mumez, T. Salagar, headquarters.

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### ABE MARTIN



Th' feller who is his own worst encony is too often th' meal ticket of a Tarkey.

Let o' other folks. We'll be glad when
th' war's over so th' word "rethless"? kin take a long needed rest.

### Says Fear of Death Has

The Daily

Governor Withycombe recently re eived a letter from O. B. Whitaker, of Jefferson, Missouri, a member of the legislature of that state, asking informative to the effect capital punishment as crime deterrent. Especially did esentative Whitaker ask whether used people planning murder to tak o consideration the probable results capital punishment on the statute.

In answer to query Governor Withycambe as 'Replying to letter of the 6th, the abolishment pital punishment in Oregon does not be prevalence of crime; at lerst so far as the limited statistics available show.

Answering your question I would gislature of that state, asking infor-

Answering your question I would Crime has not increased since the abolition of capital punishment.

2. Lynching is practically an unknown factor in this state, so that this

uestion really has no bearing. 3. Murder has not increased 3. Murder has not increased.
4. I am inclined to believe that the fear of capital punishment has a wholesome effect open persons planning mur-

# CLOSE TO \$6,000,000

#### Caly \$25,000 Difference Between Pacific and Atlantic Coast Bids

Washington, March 14.—Bids rangng from \$5,950,000 to \$6,120,000 each of their organizations on eastern roads. The six newly authorized scout cruisers were opened at the navy\*de cruisers were opened at the navy\*de trail Terminal building. partment today.

for delivery, one in thirty months and the other in 32 months. For one of the al of the trainmen's demands.

The Scattle company's offer of thirty mouths was predicted on ability to obtain necessary materials in "reasonable time."

At the railroad headquarters where it was said the managers were formulating their program, it was said they might

iding materials.

Higher wages and exseccive freight ever, determined there should be a setthe Pacific rival of the Fordonia at Genoa from vanced as factors in the high bids. The Mobile at the moment when they reneived the cablegram from Captain Nor- of the department in the purchase of berg, reporting the loss of the Algon materials. In a national emergency, quin. The Algonquin had in her cargo most-company undertook to furnish in 24 to ly boxes of ment consigned to Lon- 26 months at cost plus a 10 per cent don.

congress raised the limit of cost.

The members of the crew, all Americans, were: Frank J. Yearney, F. Heinselman, F. DeGorden, M. Ryan, Charles Zuringa, F. Morrezzo, Allem Hopkins, Charles Schuntz, William Grasser, Robert Hucket, E. Zimmerman, M. Lopez, Manuel Domers, Polito Luna, C. R. Porres, A. Salina, A. Ruiz, M. Sephulieda, A. Mumez, T. Salagar, headquarters.

LaGrande, Ore., Mar. 14—Several sustained and consider arrest today in consideration with the murder of Billy Eng. Corn opened stronger and there was shot to death in front of the postoffice after his assainant had chased him several blocks. Eng is said to be a member of the Hip Sing tongs. His slayer was seen to take refuge in the Hip Sing 1 5-8 to \$1.00 1 8. September opened down 3-8, later declining 1 5-8 to \$1.42.

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ir, headquarters.

Citizens of LaGrande were much excited today. Expulsion of all Chinese in the city was threatened. Many celestials hid when police began searching their districts. They were found under trapdoors and in underground passages, and all taken to headquarters for quest today.

\* tioning. Mrs. C. E. George received a trap of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the hog market, while lard and the contraction of the fighting but her injury is not serious ribs continued to show slight losses.

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Russia . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,500,000

Nation.

### of Death Has Wholesome Effect MANAGERS AND MEN HOLD SEPARATE MEETINGS TODAY

Brotherhoods Say Purpose of Railroads Is To Delay Settlement

ROADS ARE WAITING FOR SUPREME COURT TO ACT

Annarently Have Hint---Roads \* May Be Seized If Strike Comes

New York, Mar. 14.-The railway managers committee and the railway \* brotherhood chiefs held separate meetngs in New York this afternoon, preparing for the joint session tomorrow which may precipitate the progressive nation-wide strike starting in the east

In neither camp was there any indica-tion of intent to yield—the brotherhoods standing pat on demand for operation of the Adamson eight hour law and the employers refusing to act until the suprome court renders its decision on the

The brotherhood chiefs met in a hall on the lower east side with chairmen tral Terminal buildling.

ferances shippard. Philadelphia, of Elisha Lee, chairman of the committered to construct two scout craisers of settlement, but the railway heads were sudgestood to be drawing a blunt refus-

Circulated questions of brotherhood eruisers they demanded \$6,120,000 for delivery in thirty months.

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The Scattle Construction and Drydock company offered to construct a scout croiser of 90,000 horsepower in thirty months for \$5,975,000.

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The Fore River Ship Corporation of have a statement later in the day. their program, it was said they might

ly that there were only 23 persons abourd, despite the fact that information from London gave the number each for two vessels for delivery in thirty and thirty one months.

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#### Railroad Situation Causes Wheat To Dron #

In addition, she carried large quanties of oil cake, corn syrup, chemicals, for the new cruisers.

Chicago, March 14.—Despite the threatened strike and favorable crop to the new cruisers. At the failure of the first two bids, after a slightly lower start, displayed strength. Sellers were few and many buyers were in evidence. Later, howtraders began to realize the signifi-Out of La Grande wheat opened down half, later dropping 2 3-4 to \$1.7812; July opened down 5-8, later losing 1 7-8 to \$1.52 5-8. September opened down 3-8, later

stray builet in the ankle during the ing of the hog market, while lard and

Wounded. Captured. 102,500 107,500

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ALLIED LOSSES IN EUROPEAN WAR 5,696,400;

Washington, Mur. 14.-The following of this year, as the body of experts en-

is as nearly complete, up to January 1, 80 per cent in all the other countries.

205,400

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#### A FASHION NOTE

Chicago, March 14. - Stop, look and listen! Skirts this year will be shorter than ever. This is the official statement of the Pashofficial statement of the Fash-ion Art League in session here. Just how much shorter isn't revealed, but nearly anything else will be when they appear, according to the same experts. The silhouette gown will be "in our midst" or we in it, says the league. It is expected

says the league. It is expected to reveal about everything the short skirt hides:

Bathing suits will be frank and one pieced.

Colors will be kelly green, sky blue, watermelon pink and

rose silver. fabrie of the suits.)

### CHINA SEVERS RELATIONS

Washington, Mur. 14.-Diplo relations between China and Germany were broken by China today, according to an official message to the navy de partment.

The Chinese government has seized all German merchant ves-Shanghai harbor and the crews have been sent ashore. Armed guards have been placed aboard the vessels.

The message came from the senior naval commander in Chinese waters It follows:

"China severed diplomatic re-lations with Germs iy today and has seized all German merchant vessels which were lying in the port of Shanghai, about six in number, and has sent all crews on shore and placed armed guards on board all vessels.

#### RAIDER IN INDIAN OCEAN

Tokio, Mar. 14.-Official an nouncement of the presence of a German raider in the Indian ocean, preceded receipt of dis-patches here today of the de-struction of this crop, of the un-identified steamer Fukai Maru en route to India. Australian naval authorities were quoted in advices here today as declaring a German raider, equipped with aeroplanes, had been lurking in the vicinity of Colombo since the latter part of Feb-

official statements said a big Anglo-Japanese fleet was scouring the ocean for the raider and all shipping had been

#### CAST LOTS FOR JOBS

Juneau, Alaska, Mar. 14,-Alaska's territorial senate probably will draw lots today for ev ery office from that of president of the senate down. This way out of the deadlock that has existed, was suggested yesterday by Senator Frank A. Aldrich, of Nome, democrat, n

candidate for the presidency. Senators Sutherland and Guastad opposed the idea on the ground that it would lower the dignity of the office. The resolution, which finally passed, was seconded by Senator Sulzer.

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#### JAPAN HONORS GUTHRIE

Tokio, Mar. 14.—The body of George W. Guthrie, later United States ambassador to Japan, will be taken to the United States in a Japanese warship,

Private cable advices reaching San Francisco last Saturday stated that the Japanese government had offered the warship Ikonos for use in taking Guthrie's body across the Pacific.

## Washington Town

Has \$10,000 Blaze

Tacoma, Wash., March 14.—Fire that for a time seriously threatened the town of Rochester, near Centralia, early today destroyed the Whiteomb hotel, a confectionery store and badly damaged the Whiteomb garage, entailing a loss of nearly \$10,000. The blaze is said to have resulted from a defective flue in the hotel. By heroic efforts, and to the commission's proposal, this than those from the same eastern cities to intermediate points.

Hereafter, should the commission's bumper erop year favorable.

St. Louis, Wo., Mar. 14.—Crop experts mediate points will be given rates for the coming year. Prior to the general sanowfall of yesterday and today, as per cent crop was the best that those conversant with conditions would predict. The timely moisture may bring the percentage up to 75. A decreased is said to have resulted from a defective flue in the hotel. By heroic efforts, the fluence and the const.

Under the commission's proposal, this WHILE THOSE OF OPPONENTS TOTAL 3,384,800 statement of combatants killed, wound gaged in its preparation could make it:
ed, captured and missing in the European war has been compiled from the tion that in Germany 90 per cent of the best sources of information. The table total wounded return to the front and ive flue in the hotel. By heroic efforts, citizens extinguished the flames and

#### TO TEACH MILITARY TACTICS

000, according to a decision reached |-3,384,800 by the university today.

### STRIKE ORDERS TO INTO EFFECT

Second Group To Go Out Sunday and the Third Monday Afternoon

SATURDAY AT 4 P.M.

CHICAGO WILL BE HARD HIT BY FIRST WALK OUT

#### Railroad Managers Believe Government Will Take Over the Roads

Chicago, March 14.-Strike orders seived by brotherhood officials toay, which are to go into effect at 4 p. m. Saturday in case supplementary orders are not issued, disclose the fact that Chicago will be bard hit from the very outset if the brotherhoods go out.

The first group of railroads to be affected—Chicago and Western Indiana, Inriana Harbor Belt Line, Chicago Jonetion Railway, New York Central and allied lines, except the Michigan Central and Baltimore and Ohio—handle the greater part of Chicago shipping. Freight crows on these roads, as well as all switchmen or cicking lines. well as all switchmen on eighteen lines in the Chicoga district will be the first to obey the strike order.

The second blow to be struck will

rall at five p. m. Sunday, when train men on the Great Northern, Northern Pacific, Norfolk and Western, Cheas pease and Ohio and the Virginia Rail will go out. If it is necessary to call out a third

roup the strike is scheduled for five m. Monday. This order is expected to affect all men still at work.

Roads Have No Plans

Local railroad managers have made plans to combat the strike. From their attitude it appears that they are willing to test the strength of the unfederal statistician are here to

showdown

Shortage would close and the food shortage would become acute almost immediately.

"How we will feed the people should the strike materialize I cannot imagin John O'Leary, president of the chamber of commerce, said, "Chicago, the

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### **COMMISSION WILL** MAKE NEW RATES

#### Findings In Inter-Moountain Traffic Case Submitted to Railroads

proposing realignment of virtually the entire structure of freight rates between the cast and west on every commodity. The railroads are given until April 2 to enter any objections.

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The time has come, the commission holds, for abelition of low preferential rates from eastern producing centers to Pacific ports. These rates, put into effect to meet the coast-to-coast water competition, have been in force for years and ender them San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle and other coast cities have enjoyed rates far lower than those from the same eastern cities.

State universities and local co-operative relief societies are seeking to relieve a serious seed shortage.

Madison, Wis., Mar. 14.—A decided impetus in grain farming is in evidence in Wisconsin this year. More than 101, program.

Of a production are seeking to relievely bill.

Little doubt is expressed here that congress will remain in session through out the summer if it is to enact this program.

It appears inevitable now that the whole railroad legislative program will have to be threshed out by the new with the same castern cities.

citizens extinguished the flames and result could be attained in two ways: prevented them from sweeping through result could be attained in two ways: the business section. Total. Total. 415,400
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They were rescued by W. B. Mills after the woman had been overcome by smoke in efforts to save her children.

Total. First, by increasing through rates from the east to Pacific ports on a number of articles on which the present rate is found to be unreasonably low; and second, by re-aligning rates to intermediate process. They were rescued by W. B. Mills after points on many articles on which the present through rate is found to be reasonable.

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In either event, adoption of the ten tative findings would result in a sweep 1,588,200 Berkeley, Cal., March 14.—Military ing revision of tariffs from the east, 1,469,100 tactics will be taught to students of the middle west and Missouri river 307,000 the University of California in an arpoints to towns and cities in Arizona.

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## Road Through McKenzie Pass Most Favored Project

Washington, Mar. 13—Construction of roads in the national forests in Oregon this year is likely to be largely confined to the McKenzie Pass road over the Caseade mountains, as a trunk line reaching from the coast to eastern Oregon from Florence, via Eugene, through to Baker

In addition to this, work may also be In addition to this, work may also be undertaken or, similar projects where county officials have offered co-operation with the federal authorities. In the way of large projects the McKennie Pass route is understood to have the "edge", partly because the forest service has already expended large sums upon it under the 10 per cent fund of the old law, partly because the building of an east and west line is regarded as a one taw, partly because the building of an east and west line is regarded as a highly important part of the state's highway program and partly because obstacles to the early expenditure of large sums during the coming senson on other big propects are foreseen.

State Delays Action.

While the forest service has selected roads in several other states for immediate improvement under the forest road section of the good roads act, Oregon is one of the states where matters have been held in abeyance pending legislative action on the creation of state highway commissions with property of the state. highway commissions with powers deem ed necessary to co-operation.

Since adjournment of the legislature the forest service has been in the dark the forest service has been in the dark as to what was done. It is assumed that a commission has been created with which the department of agriculture will be ready to deal as soon as that commission puts into definite form its plans for improvement and offers cooperative agreements.

### HEAVY SNOW FALL SAVES WHEAT CROP

## Singlestion for action on some form of universal service or training to prepare the American youth for service on land and sea, if called upon. Appropriations for the army, and, Conserfation measures which will release for immediate use the mineral and oil resources now locked up in public lands. Press Ahead of People Universal training promises to be Blanket of Snow Over Entire

night and today through the winter wheat saved the winter wheat crop from what seemed certain ruin. They broke a drought that had lasted nearly all winthat, having fulfilled all legal requirements, the government may intervence.

Charles W. Ellis, special agent of the bureau of labor, and Ethelebert Stewgeneral throughout the Mississippi and Misouri valleys.
The North American continent must

Railway managers see in their pres-nce an indication of the government to take over the roads in case of a great grain houses in Chicago and of-ficial information from Washington in-A strike would cause an inconceive-ficial information from Washington in-able situation here, business men say, dicate a general shortage of wheat all

> European crops are shortened by the invasion of the fields by armies and erious shortage of man power.
> The wheat belt of the United States is ooked to for the solution of the bread

problem United Press correspondents guther data as follows:

following snow and rain which continued today. Farmers believe that the rought in the southwest is definitely Reports from Hutchinson, Kansas,

state that rain fell throughout the southwestern wheat belt last night, Not only does this rain put new life into the wheat crop but it will put the soil into good shape for spring plant- ril 16, of course, may entirely change

St. Paul, Minn., Mar. 14.-Winter wheat throughout the Dakotas and Min-Washington, Mar. 14.—The interstate nesota looks excellent. Record snows, commerce commission has placed before some places, having received as much as he trans-continental railways tenth ive five feet, protected winter wheat and

Heavy snowfall through the winter have to be threshed out by the new than those from the same eastern cities with no thaws hus made conditions for a

Sioux City, Ia., Mar. 14.—The heavy snowfall of last night and today has meant millions to Iowa farmers. Be-sides giving winter wheat the much needed moisture the snowfall will put the ground isto condition for early plowing. The acreage reports show slight reduction over last year.

#### ADVANCE BEYOND BAGDAD

London, March 14 .- "Our advanced 469,100 tactics will be taught to students of the middle west and Missouri river Actachments are thirty miles beyond 307,000 the University of California in an arpoints to towns and cities in Arizona. Bagdad, 'declared an official statemory to cost between \$80,000 and \$100. New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, ment from the British Mesopotamian expeditionary force today,

Universal Military Training Biggest Question To Be

## BE STRONGLY PRESSED

#### Railroad Strike May Have To Be Threshed Out Once More

Bf Robert J. Bender

(United Press staff correspondent) Washington, March 14. - President Vilson's message to the Sixty Fifth ongress, called in extraordinary sesion April 16, wilt be sharply militant. Defense measures such as the connry has not been called upon to furnish since the Spanish-American war, will be urged by the president for immediate consideration and prompt ac-

These are expected to include: Legislation covering all matters colateral with the defense of the Amercan merchant marine. Suggestion for action on some form

Universal training promises to be the biggest question facing congress. President Wilson and Secretary of War Baker have sent out an append

In answer to the plea, newspapers are found thus far to favor-about five to one—the adoption of some universal training plan.

But, according to the military authorities here, the newspapers are "far ahead of the people" on the question. Telegrams and letters from the "folks"

back home" show strong aversion to any compulsory universal service or raining. This registration of public opinion being carefully compiled and will be consulted by the president before he addresses congress next month. It is probable he will not recommend the adoption of any specific plan, but will strongly urge "some training meas-

Senator Chamberlain today said he Kansas City, Mo., Mar. 14.—Kansas planned to re-introduce his own uni-wheat took a new lease on life today. versal service bill and 'try to get it

through in some form. Many New Measures The president will also urge imme-liate action on a measure to extend the powers of the shipping board "to meet the special needs of the new situation into which our commerce has been forc-

Developments between now and Ap-

und increase the scope of the presient's preparedness program In addition to the outstanding pre sk the new congress to act on the fol-Increase of the gold reserve of the

If a milroad strike is called, as is threatened, or if the United States su-preme court declares the Adamson eight hour law unconstitutional, new legislation may have to be substituted. This would provoke a long and bit-

### THE WEATHER



Oregon: To-night and Thursday fair, warmer east portion; henvy frost west portion tonight; westerly winds.