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# CHARTER CHANGE IDEAS RANGE FROM CAT TAXES TO BAN UPON POLITICS

Regular Meeting

### **WOMAN SUFFRAGE** LIKELY TO PASS

Doctors Want Creation of Health Board, While Major Brown Asks That Mayor Be Shorn

Actual consideration of vital changes in the city charter was begun by the charter board at its session last night. While no definite steps were taken, the board for the first time had before it a mass of suggestions from its own members, from citizens and from the city commission. Suggestions ranged from a tax on cats, a ban on roller skates and the care of shade trees to the prevention of political machines and the abolishment of the mayor's appointive power.

Under the rules of proceedure adopted at the organization meeting of the board, all these suggestions must lay over until the regular meeting next Friday night before they are acted upon. Probably the one suggestion given the most serious thought was that asking that woman suffrage be included in the amendments offered for public approval. Is Likely To Be Adopted

Although no general expression was obtained from the members of the board, all nine of whom were present, it appeared more than likely that this amendment will be written into the list of those submitted to the voters. One troublesome feature presented itself in the consideration of this subject when the qualification requiring male voters to pay poll tax was rees no such tax on women, the quesnate this requirement from the men. (Continued on Page Four)

### J. H. Barnes **Appointed** Wheat Head

The Associated Press.

Grain corporation has been appointed standing of such conditions that has street from First avenue south to wheat director of the United States made this purpose paramount, by President Wilson according to an announcement tonight from the office of the food administration here. Mr. Barnes will direct the handling of the 1919 wheat crop and administer the billion dollar price guarantee.

# **GREAT STRIDES** INARTILLERY **WARFARE MADE**

160,615,000 Rounds Fired in 1918 Against 1,959,000 in 1864

The Associated Press.

Washington, April 18-Further evidence of the tremendous importance shown today by the official records of the War department. The average number of rounds fired monthly, according to these figures, increased from 3,250 in the Crimean war to 12. 710, 000 in the war during the year of

In 1864 the entire Union forces expended 1,959,000 rounds of ammunition, while last year the British. French and American batteries fired 160.615,000 rounds of ammunition.

LOST

gladly paid.-adv.

# Mass of Suggestions Up to Board at Its First WOMEN ASK CHARTER BOARD FOR RIGHT TO VOTE IN CITY

following the suggestion made yester day by W. L. Straub, presented a petition to the charter board last night asking that votes for women be included in the amendments to the city's basic law. The petition was presented to the charter board by a committee composed of Mrs. Nellie R. the meeting and sent as a petition to E. J. Porter.

The Equal Suffrage association of St. Petersburg, formed several years ago, met yesterday afternoon at the ter Board, April 18th, 1919: Belmont hotel and reorganized with Nellie R. Lochr; first vice-president, share the burdens and responsibilities Mrs. Ella C. Waiker; second vice-

Woman's Suffrage in St. Petersburg president, Mrs. Lew B. Brown; record is now the campaign of the reorgan- ing secretary, Mrs. E. J. Porter; cor ized Equal Suffrage association, which responding secretary, Mrs. John New kumet, treasurer, Miss Beulah Chase press chairman, Mrs. C. A. Esterly. During the meeting yesterday afternoon great appreciation was express ed for Mr. Straub's suggestion to the charter board, published in Thurs day's Times. Resolutions adopted at Loehr, Miss Lillian Rusling and Mrs. the charter board were signed by all the officers of the organization. The resolutions read as follows:

Petition to the St. Petersburg Char WHEREAS. The women of St. Per the following officers: President, Mrs. ersburg have been called upon to

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## FOREIGN WAR **VETERANS GET** STATE HONORS

Ensign Still, Paddon and Local Chairman Calls Selmar Are Named for High General Offices

Six new members were initiated by called. Payment of poll taxes is a ans of Foreign Wars, at the meeting ed his committee assignments and has tine matters does not mention any ocstate provision and as the state plac- held in the G. A. R. hall last night, called an important meeting of the currence out of the ordinary, which female voters in the city on the same Still, president and manager of the to the individual quota plan as out the Franklin's cargo. level as to qualifications and elimi- Southern Construction company, was lined by the government will be dis-In order to get this subject before Foreign Wars: W. F. Paddon, recruit- he wanted every member of the comthe board, after the petition had been ing officer for the state; Frank Sel mittees named to attend this meeting, red at Danzig several days ago, but mar, national aid for state.

Is 20 Years Old.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars is present time is essentially to help the the work. The committees and the themselves for their life in peace New York, April 18.-Julius H. from the Spanish-American war with ond avenue south, also block between Barnes, president of the Federal no such aid and it is their under- Beach drive and east side of Second

Are Malteze Crosses. The medals, a bronze Malteze Cross rence, Jr., E. C. Baldwin. with the insigna of the branch of the form of the United States, for over-

The six new members elected have all seen service in France, England and Belgium and are: Thomas A Brown, Leroy C. Huntley, Howard A. Davis, Homer C. Hogan, Angus Sumner and Joe F. Still. This initiation gives Post 39 a total of 34 members and efforts will be continued to get new members as fast as they are discharged from the service.

ery, 157 Central .- adv.

# CITY VICTORY **LOAN WORKERS**

Important Meeting Monday at 8 p. m.

the Lawrence M. Tate Post 39, Veter. Victory Loan campaign, has complete headquarters here, reporting on rou-Post 39 was given recognition from men asked to aid in the work at the it is considered surely would have elected assistant inspector general of cussed. Mr. Lewis said last night that which will be short and confined

strictly to business, Chairman Lewis, in announcing the an organization 20 years old. It can committees to which have been alnever die out as long as the United lotted certain sections of the business States engages in foreign wars be district, declared that the chairman cause anyone is eligible who has seen in each case would be expected to call foreign service. Its purpose at the the other members together and plan boys returning from war to prepare territory to be covered are as follows: Water front and two piers including times. The older members returned Beach drive from Electric pier to Secnorth side of Second avenue south-H. W. Hibbs, chairman; B. A. Law-

Block between First and Second service in the center and held by a streets from south side of First averibbon, the same as worn on the uni- nue north to north side of First avenue south-Tracy Lewis, chairman; seas service, were given to the new H. Foster Hodges, R. J. McCutcheon,

> Block between Second and Third de (Continued on Page Three)

### Young Men. Attention!

especially those who have been in the 4 charges on carload shipments of 4 way fare 54c, round (rip 81c. (adv.) service, whether here or "Over there" . vegetables, fruits, berries and . are invited to attend the service of distributions, from points in Florida distributions Red Cross Brand tomatoes, solid, no E. church. South, on Sunday morn-waste, special 13c per can, \$1.49 doz.; ing at 9:45 a. m. Col. Patrick, lately ... United States and Canada were ... under canada were ... case, 24 cans, \$2.80. Split Nickel Gro- returned from Red Cross work in It-

# BUT REHEARSE CHARGES

Leather case filled with Silk Sam- with the uprising in Korea" but has the home of an American missionary seen anything like it beford, and, ples put in rear seat of Automobile followed a "most considerate method or entered the bedroom of his wife. by mistake standing in front of The in dealing with the matter and has After denying reports of cruelties o'clock. Finder please return at once "according to and official cablegram that armed forces were used only in pictures ever made. Added-Lyons-

ese consul general in New York."

American missionaries of connection butt of his gun, or that they searched Climax. We guarantee you've never

to The Ladies' Emporium. Reward made public here today by the Japan- certain remote sections where the Moran Comedy, "Please Hit Me," and toxicating. police powers were inadequate.

# HUN FINGER HUNS NOT TO TEST TREATY; LIE POT

Reports of Difficulty in Unloading U.S. Food Ships Is Denied

### BELIEVED PART OF PROPAGANDA

Vagueness of Relation Cited: Only Real Difficulty at Danzig Which Was Trivial

The Associated Press.

London, April 18-The frequent reduring the last fortnight from Geris constant difficulty in the unloading several officials, it is said, of American foodstuffs at Bremen and lieved to be part of the current Ger-American naval headquarters here, to Libau. The city now is held by papers there sent by American officers over lines of communication controlled by the

navy, d'scredit all of these reports. The latest of the reports reached London this morning by way of Copenhagen. It says the strike at Bre men prevented the unloading of the American steamer Franklin, upon which the captain of the Franklin prepared to leave port.

Becomes Vague A large number of lawyers, doctors. and judges then offered to do the unloading themselves, the report adds. but it does not state the result of their offer. A direct message from the Ed. T. Lewis, city chairman for the officer of the Franklin received at

Only Real Difficulty (Continued or Page Six)

## Babe Ruth **Gets4Home** Runs; Up 6

The Associated Press.

Baltimore, April 18.—Babe Ruth, playing left field for the Boston Americans against the Baltimore Internationals, made four home runs and won 12 to 3

### \* Florida Roads Ask Boost For Refrigeration

asked today by southeastern railroads in an application filed of with the interstate commerce of

### THE PHEIL THEATER

Today-Harry Carey in "A Fight for Love." The whimsical, lovable, human hero of "Three Mounted Men' and "Roped" comes again to the Pheil in his latest mile-a-minute photoplay, "A Fight for Love." A mad escape over the Canada line-a grin at the a Pathe Travel picture.-adv.

# BOCHE FORCES TAKE LIBAU SETTLEMENT AND OVERPOWER THE LETTS WISHED FOR

Copenhagen, April 18.—German and Premier Ullmann has protested to press bureau here.

Wednesday which overpowered the the Riga being in the hands of radi ports, which have come almost daily. Letts and disarmed and interned cal forces,

Baltic-German troops probably have General von der Goltz, commander of seized Libau and overthrown the Let- the German troops in Letvia and the tish provisional government, accord- latter has expressed his astonishment ing to advices received by the Lettish over the incident. The Letts accuse the Germans of constantly hindering Lettish reserve troops in Libau were them from mobilizing against the Bolsurprised by strong German forces on sheviki, which it is said, accounts for

them, Later the Gremans arrested the According to a telegram sent Wedman sources to the effect that there Lettish minister of the interior and nesday by Premier Ullmann to the Lettish representative in Denmark he The surprise was possible, it was is safe and in collaboration with the Hamburg because of strikes, are be said, because Lettish troops had been British mission and British squadron sent to the front while Baltic-German in the harbor. This telegram said the man propaganda. Direct reports to detachments had been brought back British had seized the town and the Polish Boundary Dispos-

iterates Request on

Foreign Travel

### SIX CHILDREN KILLED; 6 HURT IN TRAIN SMASH BY GOVERNMENT

School Wagon Carrying State Department Re-Pupils Hit by Grand Trunk Engine

The Associated Press.

Laporte, Ind., April 18-Six children Washington, April 18.-The state were killed and six were injured se-department today reiterated its reverely today when a Grand Trunk quest that the public abstain for the tion developed as to whether it would headquarters by an order to elect city hall Monday evening at 8 o'clock, been the case had there been the mail train hit a school wagon near present from all unnecessary travel be necessary to place both male and, three state officers. Ensign Joe F. At this meeting questions pertaining slightest difficulty in connection with Kingsbury. The wagon was driven by to Europe. It was said that applica-Mrs. Walter Johnson, whose husband tions have been increasing to such an was the regular driver. She and her extent daily that it is deemed neces. may call an extra session of the Con-The only real difficulty in unload- two small children on the driver's sary to announce that passports will ocess to convene between May 15 and ing steamers at German ports, occur seat escaped with slight injuries not be issued unless an urgent neceswhile another child on the steps jump, sity is proved. Business houses and, ed and was not hurt

### SITUATION IN INDIA BETTER

The Associated Press.

London, April 18.-Improvement in he situation in India is indicated according to an official telegram re eived tonight.

### ACCIDENT FATAL

The Associated Press. walked twice in six times up. Boston Higinbotham, former partner in the ed today, in federal court, of confirm of Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, spiracy to obstruct recruiting and enfirm of Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, spiracy to obstruct recruiting and endied tonight at the Embarkation hos-listment, and sentenced to four years American in the state of th taken there earlier in the day after tified that Wiggins was the leader of heing run down by an automobile. He a band which sought to resist the . | was 84 years old,

AMPLE BOAT SERVICE

TO TAMPA VIA HOME LINE Two boats each way daily (except Sunday.) Genevieve leaves St. Petersburg 8:00 a. m, leaves Tampa 3:30 All young men in the city and creases in the refrigeration in the city and was film. Con- tinuous starting at 7 and 8:15 p. m. Company, was killed and Orme Gais-

### **Four Years** In Pen For I.W.W.Man

In come instances ralled argunizations

faith, the department said

have applied for passports not in good

Tulsa, Okla,, April 18.-John Wig-New York, April 18.-Harlow Niles gins, I. W. W. organizer, was convictdraft law by the destruction of property in central Oklahoma in 1917.

### PICTURES AT PLAZA

Coming

Excursion to Anna Maria Sunday, of the Game." Wednesday, Madge ly wounded by Zavatistas, who waythe Young Men's Bible class at the M. . east of the Apalachicola river, 10 a. m. City Dock. Yacht Benetta. Kennedy in "A Perfect Lady." Friday Henry B. Walthal in "A Long ment tonight. Lane Turning."

# STEP TO FORCE U.S. HAND

The Associated Press. The cablegram denied the reports discomforted sheriff-and then starts of the New York district today took deposited in banks awaiting the New York, April 18 .- The Japanese that Japanese solders struck an Am- a gay adventure that wins his vaga- action which is intended to speed claim of the government, were atgovernment suspects "one or two erican woman missionary with the bond head a home and the Fighting court determination of their claim tached. that beer of 2.34 per cent alcoholic contents may be produced without Carey's love-making isn't grim linned violating the food conserving regula--it's gayly debonair. See "A Fight tions, when two brewers began the sence of Commissioner Roper, officials of labor statistics reported today. As Ladies' Emporium Friday about four not arrested a single one of them to Koreans, the cablegram declared for Love" and enjoy one of the best distribution of beer of that strength, of the revenue bureau tonight refused a whole 22 articles of food were 2 per bearing labels saying it was non-in- to predict what action might be taken cent higher in March than in Febru-

sell stamps, so tags saying that mon-New York, April 18.-The brewers ey equivalent to the stamps had been

WASHINGTON IS SILENT.

as the result of two New York brew- ary and 14 per cent higher than a The revenue collector refused to ers distributing 2 3-4 per cent beer. year ago.

Believed President May Call Extra Session of the Congress

#### PROBABLE DATES MAY 15 TO JUNE 1

ed of; Danzig to Be Internationalized and Corridor to Sea Opened

> The Associated Press. BULLETIN

Paris, April 18-(Havas Dispatch) The Council of Four held morning and afternoon sessions today occupying itself chiefly with the question of the disposition of Fiume and the problem of Danzig.. It developed that contrary to the original plan contemplated there will be no German test of the Peace Treaty.

Paris, April 18-It is stated in well informed quarters tonight that the situation of the peace negotiations was such that President Wilson probably will be able to sail for home May 2, or possibly May 15. The belief is expressed that the President

June 1. The present indications are that the neace treaty will be signed before the departure of the President. Information reaching the delegates to show that the Germans are not planning to delay the signing of the treaty as they desire a settlement of the terms at the earliest possible moment.

### POLISH BOUNDARY IS DISPOSED OF

Paris, April 18. - The council of four this morning finally disposed of the Polish boundary question. No announcement was made of the manner (Continued on Page Three)

# Is Waylaid And Killed

The Associated Press.

New York, April 18.-Edward L. Bessie Barriscale in "A Trick of Dufourc, American, assistant general man, a Swiss citizen and business Monday Warren Kerrigan in "End manager of the company, was seriouslaid them, according to an announce-

## MARCH MARKED AN INCREASE IN FOOD PRICES

February Decrease Proved Only Futile Hope Raiser for Public

The Associated Press. Washington, April 18. Foodstuffs increased in price during March after the public hopes of a return to normal. levels had been raised by the de-Washington, April 18 .- In the ab; crease noted for February, the bureau

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