Attack and Counter-Attack Follow Every Hour.

GERMAN ASSAULT INTREPID

Resolution Approaching Desperation Displayed in Night Engagement.

BAYONET IS MUCH USED

Famous British Regiments Suffer Heavily, but Perform Allotted Task.

18 (by way of Paris).-The gigantic tinued day and night along the enfire front from Noyon to the fron-

The fighting does not consist of one sustained and combined movement, but in reality is several combats proceeding incessantly at the definite results." strongest points of the Germans' defending line along the river Aisne.

Attacks Follow Rapidly.

Each encounter, however, influences and 7 missing. the execution of the general idea of armies. Attacks and counter attacks follow one another in rapid succession every hour out of the 24.

In the night of September 15-16 the Germans attempted a formidable learns from authentic source that eight movement in the Western sphere, but were met by the French and British with courage that was marvelous to break through the firm line presented by the allies' infantry.

Fight Before Dawn Violent.

The fight just before daybreak was the most violent of all. The Germans appeared to throw into the charge man aeroplane dropped a projectile in all that remained of their energy, but Antwerp yesterday, which severely wounded a citizen. The nature of the were rolled back with enormous losses. Before retiring behind their big guns ing to the correspondent. they sacrificed many of their number, displaying resolution which ap- VACATION CUT DEFEATED proached desperation. A vigorous counter attack from the allies ensued. Question of Pay for City Employes during which a small extent of ground was gained.

the opposing commanders to use positions.

Bayonet Used, Carnage Terrifying.

After this stage of the fight was concluded, the Germans appeared to retire about seven miles. During the GERMANS RAZE TERMONDE combat the adversaries in many instances came to hand-to-hand clashes and the bayonet was extensively used. The carnage was terrifying, but the troops of both armies appear to have been hardened to such scenes and says: fought with great coolness.

The allies' aviators apparently discovered today the placements of some big German guns, notwithstanding the cleverness with which they are hidden beneath an earthen covering strewn spared, but all other public buildings with the branches of trees. The allies' artillery opened a concentrated fire on a certain portion of the line and the heavy German artillery shortly afterward lapsed into silence at that spot, although it is not known whether they were rendered impotent or were merely effecting a change of position owing to their former emplacements having become untenable.

Germans Resist Obstinately.

It is impossible to learn from any one portion of the line what is occurring at other places, but an inclination to recede slightly seemed evident on the German side, although they offered the most obstinate redoggedly pursued the small advantage are acting on registers for 27 additional ships of 106,360 aggregate tonnage.

BULLETINS WAR'S

PARIS, Sept. 18,-The French and through Washington for the exchange of prisoners of war. It is understood that James W. Gerard, the American Ambassador to Germany, has cabled Germany's adhesion to the plan,

PARIS, Sept. 18 .- In a dispatch from Odessa, the correspondent of the Havas Agency says the government press bureau at Constantinople has forbidden the use of the word Petrograd, the new authoritative name for St. Petersburg. and ordered Turkish newspapers to call the Russian capital St. Petersburg.

CAPETOWN, Union of South Africa, Sept. 18 .- A force of 250 Germans, with three Maxim guns, attacked the British post at Nakob Thursday. The garrison consisted of seven policemen, who fought until their ammunition was ex-hausted. Those who had not been killed were taken prisoners

PARIS, Sept. 18 .- It is announced at the Russian capital, according to a dispatch to the Havas News Agency ZEPPELIN ORDERS from Petrograd, that the Germans who were campaigning in the Kielce Prov-ince of Russian Poland, on learning of the Austrian defeat from Krasnikto Mascoff, retreated rapidly to the southward with the intention of rallying the

LONDON, Sept. 18 .- A Renter dispatch from Parls says M. Millerand, the French Minister of War, has decided to send the 1914 class of troops into camp, in order to give them the most practical and rapid instructions.

LONDON, Sept. 18 .- The Paris correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph ON THE BATTLE FRONT, Sept. Company says: "All accounts received in Paris agree that the famous Prussian Guards corps, the clite of the empire and the especial pride of the Gerbattle, or more properly battles, con- man Emperor, has been practically blotted out in the battles which have

> LONDON, Sept. 18 .- An announce ment issued by the official press bureau tonight says: "There has been some activity on the part of the ailled cavalry, but without at the present time any

> LONDON, Sept. 18,-The war office has received from headquarters at the front, under date of September 15, the names of 12 officers killed, 34 wounded

the execution of the general idea of the Commander-in-Chief of the allied from Russian sources emphasize the to obtain photographs of the German magnitude of the Austrian defeat. The troops. number of cannon captured by the Russians is now placed at 1000.

> LONDON, Sept. 18 .- The Daily Telegraph's Rome correspondent says he Ghent last Tuesday between a Ger-German army corps have left France and Belgium for the Russian frontier.

ROME, via Paris, Sept. 19 .- It is reported here that the telegraph and against overwhelming odds. The Ger- telephone wires out of Pola, the great mans returned to the attack no fewer naval port and arsenal of Austria, sitthan 10 times with remarkable tenac- unted on the Bay of Porto delle Rose, ity and intrepidity, but were unable and that bombs have been thrown into mines have been discovered in the canal leading to the arsenal, which were not laid by the Austrian au-

LONDON, Sept. 19 .- Reuter's Antwerp projectile was not ascertained, accord-

on Holidays Being Considered.

A proposal of Commissioner Brew-Last night was relatively calm along ster to cut down the length of vacathe front, but today the fighting be- tions for city employes three days was came more furious than ever. During defeated by the Council yesterday, when the proposed Brewster vacation the darkness operations are rendered ordinance was indefinitely postponed. difficult owing to the reluctance of The measure had been opposed bitterly by city employes.

The question of pay for employes on searchlights, which might expose their legal holidays will be considered by a committee comprising Commissioners Brewster and Bigelow. The committee will designate what holidays employes are to have off on full pay and those on which the employes must work.

Destruction of Another Belgian City Is Completed.

LONDON, Sept. 19.—Reuter's Antwerp correspondent, telegraphing Friday,

"The Germans today completed the destruction of the town of Termonde (Dendermonde), 16 miles southwest of Ghent, The communal offices were bombarded and are in ruins. The church still stands, though its tower is damaged. The hospital was more or less and houses were destroyed."

PRINCE EAGER FOR BATTLE

Lord Kitchener, However, Bars King's Son From Active Service.

LONDON, Sept. 18 .- The Prince of Wales was eager to go to the front, according to a statement issued to-night by the official press bureau, and tried to get Lord Kitchener's consent to

As he had not completed his military training, Lord Kitchener submitted to the King "that for the present it is undesirable that His Royal Highness should proceed on active service."

Foreign-Built Ships Coming In. WASHINGTON, Sept. 18. - Twentyfour foreign built vessels, with a total sistance and fought as though made tonnage of 100.820, have been admitted of iron. The allies at the same time to American registry under the new shipping law, and customs collectors

Morning

How American Consul Saved Ghent Told.

KANSAN HALTS GREAT ARMY

German General Explains Charges of Cruelty.

OPEN

American Correspondent, Wined and Dined by Von Boehn, Unearths "Atrocity Business" Views of Kaiser's Invading Army.

BY E. ALEXANDER POWELL (By Cable to the Chicago Tribune) HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD OF THE NINTH IMPERIAL ARMY, Chateau Lafere, near Renaix, Belgium, Sept. 9 .- (Delayed.) -Three weeks ago the government of Belgium requested me to place before the American people a list of specific and authentic atrocities committed by the German armies upon Belgian non-combatants. Today Gen, von Boehn, commanding

the Ninth Imperial field army, acting mouthpiece of the German staff, has asked me to place before the American people the German version of the incidents in question. So far as I am aware, I am the only correspondent in the present war who

nas motored for an entire day through the ranks of the advancing German army, who has dined as a guest of the German army commander and his staff. and who has had the progress of the Consul Saves Ghent.

This unusual experience came about

a curious and roundabout way. After an encounter in the streets of man military automobile and a Belarmored car, in which two German soldiers were wounded, as de-scribed in dispatches, American Vice Consul Van Hee persuaded the Burgomaster to accompany him immediate ly to the headquarters of General von Boehn to explain the circumstances and ask that the city should not be held responsible for the unfortunate affair.

In the course of the conversation taining articles written by Alexander Powell criticising the German treatcorrespondent says that another Ger- had come to his attention and said he regretted he could not have an oppor-(Concluded on Page 6.)

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RUSSIANS CHECK ADVANCE

Petrograd Reports German Advance in East Prussia Stopped.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 18 .- The follow ig communication was issued today by the chief of the general staff: "On the front in Eastern Prussia the armies of General Rennenkampff defi-nitely stopped on September 17 the ofensive movement of the Germans. At everal points the Germans are falling

back and shifting to new positions. "On the Austrian front the pursuit are approaching the defensive positions of Schawa, Jarostau and Przemysl (Ga. licia).

PERCHERONS ARE WANTED

France May Remove Prohibition on Shipment for America.

BORDEAUX, Sept. 18 .- An American D. is trying with the aid of John W. with Mr. Van Hee, General von Boehn Garrett, Minister to Argentina, who is remarked that copies of papers connow with the French government here. to have France remove the prohibition of shipment to the United States of afternoon, 60 miles south of the Coment of the Belgian civil population Percherons, for which the French army It is expected that the government

will allow the shipment.

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Vessel Is Rumor.

WIRELESS MESSAGE COMES

Disaster Off Oregon Coast Information Sent.

Unidentified Cruiser Relays Wireless to Port of Portland That She "Sank 60 Miles South." All Reports Vague.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 18 .-- In connection with the report of the sinking of the steam schooner Francis H. Leggett, S. Takahashi, Japanese Consul here, said tonight he had been notified through the Marconi wireless station that a vessel had been sunk off the Columbia River, and through the same agency had heard rumors that the sinking of the vessel had come about through a collision with the Japanese

Consul Takahashi has been endeav-

This message received by the Port of Portland, last night, indicated a sea ward, sever their communications with disaster off the mouth of the Columbia. The news was received by an unidentified cruiser off the Columbia Belgium, which are menaced by an River and relayed to a Marconi wireless station.

The steam schooner Leggett sailed from Portland September 12 for Hoquiam to load lumber for California. of the enemy continues. The Russians She left Hoquiam Thursday at 10 A. M. carrying 37 passengers. The brief word received in Portland

indicated the steamer had met disaster just off the Columbia after sulling from Hogulam, although the reference to "60 miles south" is vague.

EL SEGUNDO OFF TO LEND AID Astoria Learns Steamer Is Sunk During Heavy Gale.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 18 .- (Special.)steamer Francis H. Leggett, en route from Grays Harbor for San Francisco, sank during the gale at 3:15 this

lumbia River. That was the word that was flashed ashore this evening to the local agent (Concluded on Page 7.)

Friday's War Moves

Oregontan.

For five days the British and French rmies have been trying to dislodge the Germans from the strong line of defenses which they have constructed on the battle front stretching from the Oise to the Meuse rivers. There have Japanese Cruiser Hit been attacks and counter attacks, but Ambassador Belittles n the words of the official communiation "there has been no change in the situation."

> progress at some points against the German right wing north of the River Aisne and to have repulsed counter atacks there and between Oraonne and Rheims, while they say in the center and on the right the Germans are acting purely on the defensive, having "dug themselves into entrenchments." The German official reports are almost identical with those of the allies. They say no decision has yet been reached but that the allies' power of resistance is weakening, that a French attempt to break their right has falled, that in the center the Germans are gaining ground slowly and that sallies on Verdun have been re-

The allies say they have made slight

It would seem from all this that the ommanding generals have not yet found the weak points in their opponents' dispositions, and that each is withholding his determined blow for the right moment.

The Germans, naving reached selected positions, which they have strongly fortified, would appear to have the advantage, according to military critics, but for the fact that they must defend the whole of their front to make good their retirement, should an attack by them fail or a smashing blow from the allies break their line, while the Anglo-French forces are declared to be free to mass at any point.

It is not certain where General Joffre will direct his assault. While the armies ring to get into communication with forming his left are pressing the Gerthe Idzumo, but at a late hour tonight man right it is believed probable Genhad been unable to reach the cruiser by eral Joffre is making arrangements for wireless. He says he does not know its an attempt to cut through the German front somewhere north of Verdun and thus drive the armies of the German "Leggett sank at 3:15 P. M., 60 miles Crown Prince, the Duke of Wuerttem burg, General Von Hausen, General Von Buelow and General Von Kluck westthe Rhine through Luxemburg and compel them to rely on lines running into Anglo-French force operating on the border, as well as by a Belgian army.

The Germans are reported to be fight. prepared, however, to offer tremendous resistance to such a move. They are not only in strong positions where reinforcements of men, munitions and provisions can reach them easily, but they have additional defended posi-tions to fall back on if necessary. Fur-thermore, they are said to be strengthening their positions along the River Sambre from Maubeuge to Namur and along the Meuse from Givet to Namur. so that nothing, evidently, is being left

mans are concentrating transport trains on the Luxemberg frontier to field guns and 1000 heavy guns capenable them to move troops eastward tured. (Nobody knows the whereshould they so desire. This leads some abouts of these mythical 1000 heavy armies for, with the exception of occa- between a rush to Budapest to join sional Uhlan troops, Northwestern hands with the Serbs and the an-France seems nearly clear of Germans. nounced onslaught on Berlin via Bres-The Calais and Boulogne routes to lau.' Paris have been reopened.

that the Russian pursuit of the Aus- Lemberg, and, after a five days' battle, trians continues and that the Russians took 10,000 Russian prisoners and caphave gained important successes over tured many guns. the Austrian rearguard. Convoys of two army corps, with 30 guns and am-munition and 5000 prisoners, are said berg, are entrapped between the to have been captured. The whole of fortress of Przemysl and Cracow, and the Austro-Russian border between that their surrender is shortly expected Yusevoff and Annapol is reported to (evidently by the reporter alone) be overrun by Cossacks, who are leading the Russian advance.

will be left there to complete its work, from the beginning to wage in Eastfor, according to a Rome disputch, an ern Galicia a defensive war against army of 900,000 Russians is marching great odds. into Central Poland, followed by an- ments they fell back on their strong other army of 2,000,000, while a third line of defense under the protection army, also aggregating 2,000,000, is of the first-class fortress of Przemysl. coming from more distant regions and The advance of our northern and cenwill reach the front in October.

Prussia. While these numbers are progress of a huge Russian army in enormous, they are considered proba- the direction of Thorn and Breslau bly a fair estimate of what Russia soon and to relieve the enormous pressure will have available for her war. It is brought' to bear by Rennenkampff's said she will soon have 7,000,000 men army on two or three German army on the move. Galicia, Russia is standing on the de- resulted in defeat and disaster.

fensive on the East Prussian frontier,

said to be intact. pursued the informal suggestion of the be first conquered. German Imperial Chancellor that the United States obtain a statement of the

terms of peace of the allies. Meanwhile Great Britain rather put was nothing to be said on the subject.

The statement lacked nothing of of
The general staff

ficial authenticity. It was made by archy, on the other hand, announced, the British Ambassador, Sir Edward as a result of four weeks' fighting, the Grey, in a cable to Sir Cecil-Spring- capture of 41,000 Russian prisoners Rice, the British Ambassador to the and 400 guns, figures which prims United States.

This virtual demand that preliminary directly from the nations involved, was Austria should assume an attitude As to the panic, there is not the bilities in that direction.

Russian Versions.

BIG LOSS DECLARED FALSE

End Sought From Defensive Campaign Attained.

COSSACKS NOT DREADED

Dr. Dumba Tells Americans Only Result of Russian Attack Is Occupation of Flat Area of No Strategic Value.

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 .- Dr. Monstan tin Dumba, Austrian Ambassador to the United States, today issued the following statement:

"I am compelled to protest most emphatically against the false reports sent via London from Rome, Milan, Geneva, Copenhagen and St. Petersburg about the Austrian campaign in Russian Poland and Galicia. To quote some of these reports purporting to

come from official sources:
"The Austrians lost since the battles of Lemberg 350,000 dead and wounded and 100,000 prisoners.' I read this incredible lie at least 20 times in big headlines, repeated even in the same paper several times.

Stories Declared Aba...

"But we hear that immediately aftervards 'the Austrian Generals Danki and Auffenberg, who had to retreat from Russian Poland, succeded in uniting and rallying for a new fight." I do not think that anybody endowed with a little common sense can for one moment believe that an army of 1,000,-000, having lost 450,000 men, should be able immediately to rally for a new

"According to 'official' St. Petersburg news, 'the Austrians, while receding and hotly pursued to Lemberg, had already about 200,000 men. hardly anybody left to tell the tale. The steel forts of the first-class fortresses of Nichallowsk had been silenced and stormed with incredible bravery by the Russians,' (In reality Nichailowsk is a small village with 907 inhabitants where the Austrian troops

had erected provisional field trenches.)

"The reports spoke of 500 Austrian of the military observers to believe guns, as no Austrian fortress had been the Germans have decided to remain taken.) Then again, the backbone of on the defensive in the west, while the Austrian army in Galicia was utterthey are sending their main army east ly broken after the fail of Lemberg; It to confront the Russians. Apparently practically no longer existed, so that they are concentrating their western the dreaded Cossacks had the choice

"Some days later we hear from Vienna that the Austrian troops made Reports received from Petrograd say a firm stand in Grodsk, southwest of

"St. Petersburg cables that the two

Austrians on Defensive.

"What in reality happened is this: The Russian army now in Galicia The Austro-Hungarian troops had After repeated engagetral army to Lublin and to the River There already are said to be 1,000,000 Bug, although finally checked and re-Russians in Galicia and 500,000 in East pulsed, achieved its end to arrest the corps left to defend Eastern Prussla While continuing the offensive in Here the Russian invasion recently

"As to the central Russian army, her army having been driven back by with the fortress of Brest Litowsk the Germans. This army, however, is to lean on, its onslaught on the Prussian provinces of Silesia and Posen is far from imminent, as the Polish No progress was made yesterday to- territory on the left bank of the Visward peace. President Wilson has not tula occupied by German troops must

Russians Hold Galicia Only.

"The only tangible result of the Russian victories announced to the world with the eloquence of mountaa damper on the movement in a state- banks is the occupation of Eastera ment to the effect that no direct pro- Galicia, a flat, open country without posals had been received from either any stragelical cositions which had Germany or Austria, consequently there to be given up to the enemy, as every-

"The general staff of the dual monfacie bear the color of truth.

"The news coming, especially from peace overtures should come, if at all, Rome (often in the shape of fictitious cables from St. Petersburg), insists on taken to indicate that Great Britain the outbreak of panic and prevalence does not now seriously contemplate of famine in Vienna. Both tales are a peace move. Insistence that Germany absolutely false and of pure fiction. tantamount to "suing for peace" is est reason for it, and nobody is fright-recognized as putting an end for the ened by the Cossacks, notwithstandmmediate present at least to all possi- ing the picturesque and melodramatic

SHIPWRECKED IN A SEA OF PLENTY.

