Channel Now Nightly Swept Powerful Searchlights for Ships.

YSER ARMIES BIG BARRIER

Correspondent on Battle-Front Says Men Have Been Worsted. Driven From Trenches.

The Oregonian, by arrangement with the New York World, heretofore has printed the narratives sent by a sunff correspondent who reached the battle front on the Alsne and seent some time in the tranches with soldiers. Later he was in the thick of the fighting in Belgium. The same correspondent now has been in the inundated district in Flanders and his account of his experiences is given herewith.

DUNKIRK, France, Nov. 21.—The fight in Flanders has shifted to the seacoast again. The Germans are massing their crack Bavarian troops, recently at Ypres, along the line from Middelkirke to St. George with the heaviest masses at Westende.

Ostend also is full of troops again Ostend also is full of troops again and some novel move on the part of the Germans may be expected along the whole French Belgian coast line between Calais and Nieuport-le-Bains.

An invasion from the sea, now that the Yser has proved impassable, is what the allies are looking for, and nightly the beach is illuminated from end to end by huge searchlights. The one nearest to the Germ n line throws a stream of light nearly five miles, and even lights up the Terman positions along the coast.

Naval Eugsgement Rumans Naval Engagement Rumored.

When I left Furnes yesterday morning it was also rumored that German warships were expected to attempt to engage the British Channel fleet and prevent their interference with a strong landing force to embark at Ostend.

This force was expected to attempt a landing on the French coast.

I disregarded this rumor however.

Calals was undisturbed this morning.
however, and the fight was evidently confined to the sea. Lombaertzyde is the immediate object of both armies. The French have been advancing slowly on that point for several days and have held back large German forces fust beyond.

Sunken ditches.

Positions of Little Value.

A mile in front of Ramschappelle we also could see the German patrol over toward St. George, going along in the same gingerly way. The Belgians could see the German out
MAZAMAS ON LONG HIKE

Lombaertzyde, like Dixmude and dozens of other towns between trenches, cannot be held by itself. One night it is rushed by the French, the best positions are occupied by machine guns and for the day it is practically empty of Germans. That night or the next the Germans charge with battalion, drive out the French and hold it for a day er two until they are forced back.

For several days, however, the French have been slowly lightening their hold.

have been slowly tightening their hold with the assistance of artillery fire on the German trenches on the outskirts. The effect of this fire has been to empty these trenches and drive back the German artillery several miles. The allies have advanced a full mile beyond the Yser at this point.

Country Is Flat. All this country is flat and

these railroad tracks. The opposing was to the Germans. No advance on armies are entrenched before Nieuport, either side is to be expected unless it which is completely wrecked and deserted. The only distinguishing feature is a

road running at an angle to Lom-baertzyde. Anyone passing along it can be seen for miles and is in full view of the German trenches, I was taken along this road by a Belgian soldler in a covered cart, but we were not fired on.
We went into the west end of the

town, but were warned not to advance along the opposite street because the Germans still controlled it with rapid-

Germans still controlled it with rapidfire guns. The walls were ripped and
pocked by bullets,

Soldiers Get Warm in Charges.
It was a rainy, blustery day, with a
few flakes of snow in the air, but the
soldiers in the trenchez were warm
enough to have the fuil use of their
hands. Several told me, however, that
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on the other side of the Flemish town.
The French also control a street on
one side and have pushed forward back
of the houses—fighting for the possession of every house.

But Lombaertzyde cannot be considered regained territory until the
Germans are entirely out of the
trenches just beyond. They have driven
the French out three times, and before
the French came they drove out the
famous Seventh Belgian Regiment immediately after it 'ad been decorated enough to have the full use of their hands. Several told me, however, that the early hours of the morning are nearly unbearable, especially when they are tensely waiting for an attack. They become so numbed that they can hardly hold their rifles. They welcome the orders to charge so they may get warmed up. Most of the night skirmishes are occurring now about 3 in the morning, and a French officer told me he had advanced his mer often just to give them a character.

I an electrical mediately after it had been decorated by King Albert.

French artillery several miles to the rear has been pounding these trenches for a week now, however, and is gradually breaking them to pieces.

Joffre's Style of Fighting Told.

This is the type of fighting favored

Floods Separate Lines. The lines of the Germans and the allies have now been forced so far apart by the inundation on the Yser that it is possible to walk between the opposing frenches for many miles without serious danger. From Nieu-

GERMAN COMMANDER IN EAST PRUSSIA MADE FIELD



GENERAL VON HINDENBURG.

landing force to embark at Ostend.

This force was expected to attemyt a landing on the French coast.

I disregarded thir rumor, however, until 3 o'clock this morning, when at Calais I heard a heavy cannonading coming from a point north of Dunkirk. The timbre of the sound and the regularity of the firing both indicated it was a naval engagement.

Towns Change Hands.

Calais was undisturbed this morning, however, and the fight was evidently confined to the seal to the se

On one farm, where two German electric howitzers of small caliber have been placed to drop shells on Furnes, an attack was made, and the Germans, rather than abandon their guns, dragged them out and sank them n the despest water they could find. These were recovered a few days ago.

The gaps in the roads, the long sunken streeches and the deep ditches make this whole area from Lombaertzyde to a point near Ypres useless to both sides. The Yser is proving an even more serious obstacle in the way these railroad tracks. The opposing was to the Germans. No advance on

Fight on Ice Likely. Day before yesterday, most of the water was covered with ice half an inch thick. Yesterday it was an inch and would bear single soldiers, so perhaps there will be fighting on the ice. For the present the critical point is right on the dunes. For more than two weeks the French have been holding the most advanced position at Loming the most advanced posttion at Lom-baertzyde with the Germans intrenched on the other side of the Flemish town.

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All this portion of the coast was bombarded by the British fleet three weeks ago, and the effect of the shell fire is visible everywhere. The heavy British guns make even bigger holes than the big howitzers the Germans are using along their line. One of these holes in a field near Lombaertzyde was over seven feet deep, as I found by measuring the depth of the water in it.

Thirty paces away I found a piece of sod weighing nearly 100 pounds, and the ground was strewn with lumps of sod and black earth weighing even more.

These great holes were scattered thickly through ine fields, showing why the Germans had not been able to hold the coast. Near Pervyse, many miles inland, I found others showing how long the range of these guns is. They were undoubtedly an important factor in the stand on the Yser.

Floods Separate Lines.

The Prench get the exact range from several points of observation, which are under a continual rain of German shrapnel and, in spite of the danger of the work, the men with the telephones remain in their exposed positions teiling the gunner; how to direct their fire.

I had the copportunity several days ago to watch this system at work. As soon as the operator called into the transmitter the apot where the preceding shells had failen the gunners began again. A week of this fire has emptied the three foremost German trenches and driven back all the German sunners have been much less successful They have not emptied any French renches and have been unable to find the French artiliery.

ROAD TAX IS VOTED DOWN

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without serious danger. From Nieuport to Dixmude the inundated district is almost entirely unoccupied except by outposts for a distance of from two to four miles.

I walked for several miles along the Belgian front from Ramscappelle toward Pervyse with a Belgian officer, and we were not fired upon directly, although sometimes a mile or more in front of the advanced Belgian trenches we passed two badly thelied houses occupied by Belgian machine gun companies, and they complained of having nothing to do. The nearest Germans

Honors for Von Hindenburg Approved in Germany.

Victor of Tannenberg Held Always to Have Held Mastery of Situation, Even When Retiring Before Enemy.

BEHLIN, Nov. 28, via The Hague to ondon, Nov. 29 .- The first Field Marshal's baton of the present war has been awarded to General von Hindenburg for his series of victories in defending Eastern Prussia against the flood of Russian invasion. His Chief of Staff and collaporator, General von Ludendorf, has been promoted to a of 10 miles covered in about three Lieutenant-Generalship for his share hours. The party of 47 was led by in the successes.

The award to Von Hindenburg comes

with the great eastern battle still un-decided, as a reward for the preliminary victories at Lodz, which are said to have thrown the Russians on the defensive with a loss of 69,000 prisoners and 150 guns. It is taken here to indicate that the Emperor has confidence that Von Hindenburg will defeat the Russian army completely.

Grand Cross Won on Battlefield The honor of receiving the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross, the emolem given a Field Marshal, is the highest military distinction a German comgiven a Field Marshal, is the highest military distinction a German commander can receive and was won by Von Hindenburg, as in the cases of the first Von Moltke, Crown Prince Frederich and the Prussian "Red Prince." Frederich Karl, on the field of pattie. The elevation of Von Hinderburg will be generally acclaimed in Germany, where he enjoys great popularity.

The newspapers comment appreci-atively on the honor conferred on Von Hindenburg. The Tageblatt says: "It is fitting that the first man to receive the rank since the death of Field Marshal Count von Schloiffen, the great teacher of the Clausewitzian-von Moltkean art of war, should be Von Hindenburg, who repeatedly has demonstrated the teachings of the

Joffre's Style of Fighting Told, This is the type of fighting favored by General Joffre. The French are present matter, namely that German leads their blood up.

While I was at Lembaertsyde there was no rifle fire, but shells were shricking over our heads from the side of town.

French side and dropping just the other side of town.

Germans Tield Position.

The German response was from a much greater distance—at least three miles — showing that the Germans radvanced position near the mouth of the Yser.

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The Tageblatt gives similar praise to General von Ludendorf and to the troops, who, it says, will not fail to carry out the admonitions in the concluding phrase of Von Hinderburg's army order issued at Thorn, to right "until the last Russian is subdued and at our feet."

The Lokal Anseiger compares Von Hindenburg with Blucher, the victor at Waterlee, but says he is not likely to add to his present laurels the title of the most popular man in England or receive an honorary degree at Oxford University.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Petrograd says that on Monday last German airmen dropped 18 bombs in the main street of Lodg, destroying the Goirechter factory, killing or wounding many of the populace, causing heavy property damage.

CHRISTMAS APPLES LEAVE Hood River Sends Carloads to Chicago and New York.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 29.—(Special.)—Employes of the Applegrowers' Association have been busy today loading the two gift cars to be sent by the valley shipping organization to Chicago and New York. The Chicago car will carry gifts of fruit for hundreds of towns and villages in the Middle West," said Harry Farrell, who has charge of the shipment.

"One box will be expressed as far south as Alabama. Another will go to Arkansas, and we have gifts for Kansas City. The New York car will be distributed throughout New England. New York State, Pennsylvania and in Washington, D. C. Some of the Christmas apples are for England and Scotiand."

Helped Mexican Break Jail.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Nov. 29.—That General Jose Ynez Salazar has been murdered was the assertion here to night of Elfego Baca, attorney for General Salazar.

Senor Baca said he believed Salazar's escape from prison at Albuquerque, N. M., was planned and executed by his enemies, after which they murdered him.

Incinerators have been installed on many American war vessels to destroy the rubbish which when thrown overboard, is likely to involving a trail which an enemy might follow. HOOD RIVER, Or., Nov. 29 .- (Spe-

LOVE, NOT GUNS, IS BRYAN PEACE HOPE

Nations Built on Force Have Gone Down, Chicago Presbyterians Are Told.

LIQUOR ALSO DENOUNCED

Secretary of State Is Embarrassed After Delivering Sermon by Demonstration of Girl Claiming Relationship.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29 .- "Love, not dreadnoughts and siege guns, is to bring peace to warring nations" is the text of peace to warring nations" is the tot of a sermon preached today by Secretary Bryan to Presbyterians of Chicago, who filled a downtown theater.

"Nations which have been built on force have died. Those which have trusted in armies and fleets have gone down. Why do not the nations learn that righteousness is mighter than dreadnoughts?" said Secretary Bryan.

Mr. Bryan also denounced the liquor traffic.

raffic.

"It is insanity to try to cure the evils of society without stopping the sources of evil," he asserted.

Secretary Bryan experienced an embarrassing moment during a reception following his talk when a young woman attempted to embrace him, claiming to be his cousin.

Mr. Bryan sluded her embrace and the young woman was led away.

CHURCHES IN EUROPE APPEAL

Plea Made From Neutral Nations to World for Peace.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in Amer-ica received today at headquarters here an appeal from leaders of Protes-

here an appeal from leaders of Protestant churches by several neutral European countries urging churches throughout the world to strive for peace. The appeal originated with the Right Rev. Nathan Soederblom, Archbishop of Upsala, Sweden.

The text of the appeal follows:

"We, the servants of Christ, address to all those who have power or influence in the matter an earnest appeal to keep peace before their eyes in order that bloodshed soon may cease.

"We remind our Christian brethren of various nations that war cannot sunder the bond of internal union that Christ holds in us.

"Let us, therefore, call on God that

MAZAMAS ON LONG HIKE Trip Taken Over Good Roads for Ten-Mile Sunday Jaunt.

For their regular Sunday hike yesterday the Mazamas chose a route that kept them on good roads all the way. Forming at Sixth and Sherman streets Forming at Sixth and Sherman streets, the party tramped the full length of the Terwilliger boulevard, thence on the Slavin road through Bertha and westward almost to the Washington County line, thence northeasterly on the Miller's Farry road through Shattuck and Fairvale to Mount Zion and over the Patton road and Montgomery drive to Ford-street drive, a distance of 10 miles covered in about three On Wednesday night the Mazamas will take a moonlight walk, leaving Twenty-third and Washington streets

QUAKE DROPS MOUNTAIN Twenty-Three Killed in Convulsion

LONDON, Nov. 29. - Twenty-three LONDON, Nov. 29.—Twenty-three persons were killed and a number of others were injured in the earthquake which occurred on Friday in Western Greece and the Ionian Islands, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Athens.

On the Island of Santa Maura the earthquake caused strange convolutions of the earth's surface. The Mountain of Pefkoulia collapsed and crumbled away for a distance of nearly two

of Earth in Greece.

bled away for a distance of nearly two miles and the waters of the Ionian Sea penetrated the valley to the extent of about 125 acres. New small mountains appeared at different points on the Island.

MONTENEGRINS BEAT FOE

many of the populace, causing heavy property damage. "Shells falling in Zgierz, a few miles north of Lodz, started a fire which de-stroyed a large part of the town."

GENERAL SALAZAR SLAIN Attorney Lays Murder to Men Who

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"Let us, therefore, call on God that Ex-Chief of German Staff Angers Crown Prince.

tim of Illness, Says Copenhagen Report--Transport Miscalculation Is Admitted.

LONDON, Nov. 29.—(Special.)—A dispatch to the News from Copenhagen says:

"The news reaches here privately that General von Moltke, former chief of the German general staff, is not suffering from liver complaint, but is a prisoner of the imperial palaces. General von the complete of the visual remains uncomplete of the visual remains uncomp LONDON, Nov. 29 .- (Special.) -A dis-

fering from liver complaint, but is a prisoner of the imperial palaces. Gen-eral von Moltke's wife, who belongs to an old Dutch family, has written to a Danish lady that the General is con-fined by the Kaiser's orders at Hom-burg der Hoche, one of the numerous palaces. the Kaiser's wishes he retired

gracefully from headquarters, as he interfered too freely in the operations conducted by the Crown Prince on the west front in the early stages of the German retreat. General von Moltke still considers that his strategy was superlor to that of the Crown Prince, but admits that he missalculated the but admits that he miscalculated the demands on the transports for troops and supplies."

HERO SAVES AND SPEEDS

BRAKEMAN STOPS TRAIN, RESCU ING BOY IN WATER.

After Sending Unconscious Pair to Hospital, Southern Pacific Man Signals Freight to Move.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29 .- (Spe cial.)—Two boys were rescued from drowning today by a freight brakeman of the Southern Pacific who boarded his train afterward and left no name behind. The rescued boys are John Griffin, 11 years old, and William Cun-ningham, aged 12. They were playing on a board raft

on a pond at Army and Kentucky streets when Griffin slipped into the water. His companion's shouts for aid were drowned by a passing train and young Griffin was in a bad way. Al-though Cunningham is not a swimmer, he leaped in after the drowning boy and made a game fight to save bim.

The train was almost past when the brakeman saw the struggle for life in the pond and pulled the stop cord. As the train slowed the brakeman leaped off and rushed to the aid of the boys, hauling them out of the water in an unconscious condition.

The brakeman halled a passing autotomobile and placed the youngsters in it. The driver of the automobile rushed them to the Potrero Hospital, and the brakeman went back to his train. At the hospital it took nearly an hour to he leaped in after the drowning boy

the hospital it took nearly an hour to revive the boys, Griffin being all but



TWO HEIGHTS IN THE MOST POPULAR

DUDLEY 2% inches NORMAN 2% inches

dead. Both were able to go home be-fore evening. Grateful parents are trying to learn the name of the hero. which had advanced to Homonna were beaten and repulsed. We made 500 prisoners."

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Russians Gain in Prussta. "In the region of the Maxurian lakes, East Prussla and the Angerap River, our troops have thrown back the Ger-mans in several districts from their fortified positions,"

BERLIN, Nov. 29, via wireless to London.—Army headquarters today

"There is nothing of importance to note in regard to Southern Poland." LONDON, Nov. 20 .- Reuter's corre-

ter attacks by our troops.

ONLY BAYONETS ARE LEFT ALASKAN ROAD WORK ON

Commission Will Consider Taking

Copper River or Other Railway. WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Plans for he Government rallroad to the Alas-can coal fields will be formulated soon by the commission named by Seretary Lane to investigate possible routes. Commissioner Edes established head-quarters for the commission here to-day and said detailed work on a report would be begun early in December. Commissioners Edes, Mears and Riggs have just completed field surveys and will recommend a route to Secretary Lane, who will transmit the report to the President, charged by Congress with constructing the road. In addition to original routes, the commission will consider the taking over of the Copper River or the Alaska Northern Railroad. y the commission named by Seretary

from Mexican waters about the Coron-ado Islands by a soldier on board the Mexican troopship, Manuel Herrerias, the ocean-going launch Golden West

LONDON, Nov. 20.—Reuter's correspondent in Vienna, telegraphing Sunday via Amsterdam, sends the following Austrian official statement issued Sunday:

"In Russian Poland and in West Galicia yesterday passed quietly. Galicia yesterday passed quietly. waters. There has "In the Carpathians Russian forces tion of the incident. There has been no explana-

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