

Germans Volunteer Against Italy.
BERLIN, via London, May 28.—Hundreds of volunteers, including men more than 50 years old, have reported to the military authorities at Frankfurt in the last few days, making the specific request that they be permitted to serve against Italy.

Park Area Increased at Ashland.
ASHLAND, Ore., May 28.—(Special.)—The Springs Commission, in its work of adding to and improving Ashland's park system, has recently purchased a dozen small parcels, either inside or adjacent to the original park tract, at a cost of \$23,000. In connection with these purchases will follow the elimination of a number of unsightly buildings. This improvement is in line with the purchase and dismantling of the old mill, some 25 years ago, a monument which marked the beginning of the enlargement of the park.

SAY.— WATER METER IN

MORAL SQUAD

to Make Investigations.

Portland has an "arson squad" in connection with its fire bureau. Fire Marshal Stevens yesterday announced the appointment of Fire Captains W. A. Groce and F. W. Roberts and Fire Lieutenant E. J. Treese as a squad to conduct arson investigations.

Whenever there are any suspicious circumstances in connection with a fire the squad will investigate. Already the members of the squad have done

Federation and Mrs. George Zimmerman, chairman of the department of civics. Scores of other women well known in the club world were among those who were received yesterday. Others will arrive today.

Dinner Planned for Tonight.

The General Federation president, Mrs. Percy V. Pennybaker, of Austin, Tex., who got in from California Thursday night, spent a greater part of the day dictating to a stenographer and planning her work. She will call on