LINE CRUMBLING was seen, although a vigilant watch was kept. The Aztec, a slow-moving freighter

German Rear Guard Holds on to Villages Determinedly to Cover Retreat.

BRITISH NEAR ST. QUENTIN

French Also Advance and Allies Now Are Within Two Miles of Now Are Within Two Miles of Goal, With Towns Falling

From a staff correspondent of the Associated

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN
FRANCE, via London, April 2.—There
has been stiff fighting along a wide
front southeast of Arras today and the
last strongly fortified villages held by
the Germans in front of the so-called
Hindenburg line are crumbling. These
outposts have been held with the greatest tenneity, especially Croissilles,
where intermittent fighting has been
going on for the last week.

The reason the Germans are holding
these villages with 10 much determinathese villages with 10 much determina-BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN

these villages with to much determina-tion is, it appears, because their retreat has been hurried to a much greater ex-

tent than they expected.

A striking feature of today's fighting was that in some of the captured territory the British and French co-operated splendidly in suppressing counter attacks. The Germans were forced to abandon six field guns and nearly 200 prisoners were taken in the course of the day, which indicates that the Ger-man casualties must have been heavy.

The Canadians today took a remark able German prisoner. As a matter of fact, he was a deserter and came over with all his belongings, including a safety razor, an extra pair of boots and a box of German cigars. The cigars he distributed among the Canadians in the fact, line tranch and they thereighly front line trench and they thoroughly enjoyed the smoke. They asked him if he intended to return to Germany after the war and the prisoner said emphati-cally he was not, but was going to Chicago.

LONDON, April 2.—Their latest gains have brought the British troops to within two miles of St. Quentin, says the official report from headquarters in France. In the investment of St. Quentin etti to the Federal prison at McNeil's cident to

headquarters reports. The towns of Longatte and Doignies also have been captured by the British, who took some prisoners.

PARIS, April 2.—French patrols advanced last night to the German posi-

was heavy firing between the advanced posts. South of the Ailette our troops drove the Germans beyond Vauxaillon. The number of prisoners taken yesterday reached 120. We captured five machine guns.

"In the Champagne several German counter attacks against the positions which we recaptured west of Maisons

BERLIN, April 2, by wireless to Say-ville, N. Y.—Battles begun yesterday between the British and German forces south of Arras, on the road to Cambral, and on both banks of the River Somme west of St. Quentin, were further developed this morning," says the official statement issued today. The British forces, the announcement adds, suffered dry squad. considerable losses and only gained ground where the German troops gave way under orders. On both sides of the Olse-Aisne Canal

and on the highlands of Vregny it is announced, the French made some advance under heavy losses.

Bishop Sumner and Bishop Keator to Make Addresses.

AMERICAN SHIP IS SUNK

(Continued From First Page.) of the men aboard the Aztec were rescued, a number of them were missing and probably had perished. The Aztec, under command of Cap-

tain Walter O'Brien, was manned by a crew of 39. Seventeen of this number, including the captain, were American citizens. The Aztec's owners believe she had no chance to fight, because she was sunk at 9:15 P. M. in a heavy sea. The vessel was armed with two five-inch guns, one forward and one aft, manned by naval gunners under command of a warrant of- GIRL, 15, MAY BE SUICIDE PETITIONS' RETURN ASKED ficer.

The Aztec sailed from New York March 18 for Havre. She was commanded by Captain Walter O'Brien. Sixteen members of the crew were

native-born Americans.

The Aztec carried a full cargo of her. foodstuffs and general supplies, valued at more than \$500,000.

In expressing the fear that the

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gunners on the Aztec had no chance to show their skill, it was recalled that the Cunard liner Laconia was sunk at night and that no submarine

of 3727 gross tons, steamed from New York for Havre March 18, with a full cargo of foodstuffs and general supplies valued at more than \$500,000. She was due at Havre to-morrow and probably was less than 100 miles from that port when tor-pedoed. This fact has given hope to her owners that all the crew may be saved if they had an opportunity to take to the boats.

also owns the steamship Orleans, one of the first vessels to sail unarmed from an American port after Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine warfare February 1. The Orleans successfully ran the blockade of undersea boats.

PARIS, April 2.-The American steamer Aztec has been sunk by a submarine near an island off Brest. Some of the crew were rescued and are being brought into Brest.

was running.

William Graves Sharp, the American Ambassador, was informed this afternoon by the French government of the torpedoing of the Aztec and immediately cabled the State Departiment.

It is tunity.

In addition to company drill, the big parade ground was dotted all day with squads of recruits in charge of corporals. There were some tired recruits last night, but they had learned sometime.

In the meantime there was feverish activity to complete all details incident

Representatives of the American Government will proceed to Brest to take depositions of survivors of the disaster.

MARSHAL TO BEGIN TERM

Mandate From Supreme Court Closes Long Fight for Freedom for Two Convicted Under Mann Act.

netti to the Federal prison at McNeil's Island, Washington, the two men who several more villages have been oc-cupied by the British, including Pran-cilly-Sciency, Holnon and Sciency.

The British have captured Croisilles after a desperate defense by the Ger-mans, Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters reports. The towns of netti to the Federal prison at McNeil's Island, Washington, the two men who were convicted for violation of the Mann white-slave act, surrendered themselves to United States Marshal Holohan, who was expected to start north with his prisoners tonight. Diggs is under sentence of two years, and Cambridge of the Marshal is under sentence of two years, and Cambridge of the Marshal is under sentence of two years, and cambridge of the Marshal is under the Marshal is under sentence of two years, and cambridge of the muster disclosed that the Third infantry is on virtually a regular Army footing, so far as the physical standard of its men is concerned. Company A. of McMinnville, under Captain Miller, was the first company to complete its physical examination. Caminetti 18 months, with fines of \$2000 and \$1500, respectively.

Appeals to the Supreme Court and

a petition to the President for pardon

Reimbursement of Dr. Matthews Is Proposed in Seattle Council.

The city's interest in the affair comes through Matthews' testimony that the money had been paid out to Sergeant Putnam, of the dry squad, to aid him in his work. In the text of the reso-lution the plain statement is made that the payment of money to Putnam by Matthews was improper and unneces-sary, and that the city was well able to take care of the job of financing the

to Make Addresses.

Bishop Summer will go to Hilisboro tomorrow to address a meeting in the interests of the Red Cross Society. On Thursday the Bishop will hold a special service in St. Heien's Hail. The hour confirmed. This includes the promotion of Colonel May from Lieutenant-Colonel to Colonel to Colonel of the regiment, and of Major Carl Abrams to be Lleutenant-Colonel, of Captain William Daugherty occasion, and later will be the speaker at the noon-day meeting at the Baker Theater. Theater.

Sumner, as chaplain, will speak to the Business Men's training class at their gathering in the Armory.

Jessie Hess Leaves Note Telling of Grim Purpose and Disappears.

Jessie Hess, 15, dressed all in black, left her home at 1932 East Washing-ton street yesterday after she had The Oriental Navigation Company, owner of the Aztec, also owns the Orleans, one of the first American vessels to run successfully Germany's submarine blockade.

It is anti-commission charter committee, which is circulating petitions to put an amended charter on the ballot by initial life was given in the note. The police were called on by her family to find

WAR RESOLUTION APPEARS

**Continued From First Page.)*

thus been thrust upon the United States, is hereby formally declared; and "That the President be and is hereby authorized and directed to take immediate steps, not only to put the country in a thorough state of defense, but also to exert all of its power and employ all of its resources to carry on war against the imperial German government and to bring the conflict to a successful termination." The resolution was referred to the foreign affairs committee by both houses, and adjournment until tomor-

houses, and adjournment until tomorrow followed soon afterward. Both committees meet tomorrow morning.

Chairman Stone, of the Senate foreign relations committee, late today called a meeting of his committee for

Third Oregon Hurries to Muster In-One Battalion May Be Shifted Today.

The Oriental Navigation Company DESTINATION NOT NAMED

Physical Examinations Disclose High Standard-Marching Shoes Are Issued-Officers' Appointments Are Approved.

The hard work of drill, drill and more drill was the portion of the Third Oregon at Vancouver Barracks yesterday. It was the first real opportunity that has been presented since the troops and little hope is held that they can were called out a week ago Sunday for intensified drilling. Colonel John L. May took every advantage of the oppor-

In the meantime there was feverish activity to complete all detaits incident to the muster in of the regiment by Lieutenant-Colonel U. G. McAlexander, Federal mustering officer.

Especial haste was made to complete the muster of the First Battalion, comprising Companies A, B, C and D.

While hone of the officers would discuss it, the general understanding seemed to be that the First Battalion will receive orders to move at once, its destination is a military secret which cannot be published.

Third Battalion Delayed.

Third Battalion Delayed. Company officers of the Third Battalion had orders to move at noon, it was understood. This could not be done, however, because of delay in mustering, as part of the permanent records of the regiment to be filed at Washington were not available. Washington, were not available at the

It will occasion no supprise, however, if the First Battalion and left the post by this morning. Its destination is understood to be not far distant for the

Physical examination of the men in-cident to the muster disclosed that the

examined while on the Mexican border examined while on the Mexican border last Summer, of about the same number of men there were 12 rejections, indi-cating that the physical standard of the company has been raised considerably.

vanced last night to the German positions before St. Quentin, which they found to be held in force. South of the Allette the French drove the Germans beyond Vauxaillon. The War Office today gave out the following account of these operations:

"In the region of St. Quentin our patrois pushed forward northeast of Dallon and north of Castres (these towns are about three miles from St. Quentin) as far as the enemy lines, which they found to be held strongly. In the sector south of the Olse there was heavy firing between the advanced of the President for pardon failed.

The two men were convicted of transporting two girls from Sacramento. Cal., to Reno, Nev., for immoral purposes March 9, 1913. Their defense and subsequent appeals were based on the declaration that the escapade was a personal affair and not undertaken for personal gain.

PAY PASTOR BACK IS PLAN

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Lieutenant-Colonel McAlexander is making as great haste as possible in mustering the men. He is being delayed somewhat by absence of some of the necessary blanks, but expects to have the work done probably by the

SEATTLE, Wash., April 2.—(Special.)

—On the grounds that the \$1000 given by Logan Billingsley to Dr. M. A. Matthews to obtain evidence against bootleggers was tainted money. Councilman T. H. Bolton today introduced which we recaptured west of Maisons which we recaptured west of Maisons de Champagne were checked. We repulsed attacks on small posts east of Auberive and west of Navarin farm.

"In Alsace we made a successful surthant Matthews to obtain evidence against but George A. White, Adjutant-bootleggers was tainted money. Council asking a resolution in the City Council as In these telegrams the Mayors were

informed that the companies from their towns were short so many men in their quota, and were urged to take immediate steps to fill the ranks. Replies Promise Recruiting. Replies promising to start active re-

cruiting work immediately were re-ceived from the Mayors of Woodburn, Dallas and McMinnville. PATRIOTIC MEETINGS SET So far only one company of the regiment is up to full war strength. This is Company F, of Portland, which has

eached its required war quota of 150 men. Other Portland companies, how-General White yesterday received notification from the War Department that all appointments of officers in the Bishop Sumner will go to Hillsboro Third Infantry approved by General

Colonel John L. Hayden, United States Army, who is in command of all Theater.

On Good Friday, Bishop Sumner will speak at the noon service at the Baker and in the evening he will address the Minister's Missions organization in Hillsboro. On Saturday night Bishop Sumner, as chaplain, will speak to the Business Men's training class at their gathering in the Armory.

States Army, who is in command of all troops in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montans, with headquarters at Portland, received a telegram yesterday from Major-General J. Franklin Bell, commanding the Western Department, at San Francisco, expressing gratification of the rapid progress being made by the Third Oregon in making itself ready for service.

Anti-Commission Charter Document

Wanted Back by Tomorrow.

W. M. Killingsworth, chairman the anti-commission charter committee,

since the severance of relations with Germany justify the hope that a new peace move "would now receive a more peace move "would now receive a more favorable hearing and would strike a responsive chord with all democratic elements throughout the world."

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Constitutional amendments for prohibition were introduced in House and Senate by Representative Randall, of California, and Senator Sheppard, of Texas. It was announced that, in view of the interna-

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-It's fairly overflowing with opportunities to save-and surely there never was a time when savings were more welcome than in these days when prices of everything are soaring skywards! -Here's a hint of what you'll find.

35-inch messaline at \$1.19.

Fourth floor-Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

35-inch taffeta and messaline and 40-inch crepe de chine, \$1.29. 35-inch taffeta at \$1.39.

36-inch poplin and 35-inch taffeta at \$1.49. 35-inch peau de soie and gros de londre at \$1.69.

35-inch duchess and peau de soie at \$1.89.

—In spite of conditions, you'll find the values as much out of ordinary as those of past seasons have been! Economical women will figure it wise to

buy for well into the future! Second floor-Lipman, Wolfe & Co. -See the windows tonight!

Today, the second day of that 3-day sale of STOCKINGS

Special attention is called to that remarkable sale of sample silk stockings 98c Main Floor-Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Economy Basement Store "WHERE YOU SPEND THE LEAST AND GET THE MOST FOR IT"-

bars of CASCADE SOAP for 25c

This is NADIA corset week

-We've set aside this first week in April as NADIA CORSET WEEK! We want more women to know about the remarkableness of these corsets and the extreme lowness of their prices!

-There are NADIAS for as little as 79c and then there are others at \$1.23-at \$1.29-at \$1.49 and \$1.69. It will pay you to know more about these good corsets. See the window! Economy Basment-Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

-This soap will be sold only on a SHOPPING TRANSFER with other basement merchandise to the amount of \$1.00.

-No phone orders will be accepted-none will be sent C. O. D., and we will limit the sale to 10 bars to a customer!

Remember, this soap will be sold only on a transfer which shows that at least \$1.00 worth of merchandise has been purchased in

EX-PRESIDENTT TAFT FINDS BIG SECTION OF LAND PATRIOTIC.

Vhole-Hearted Entry of United States Into War Advocated, Even to Extent of Sending Army to Trenches.

NEW YORK, April 2 .- William Howard Taft, returning to New York today after what he said was the longest and

morning in time for filing that afternoon.

Thursday, April 5, is the last day for
filing the petitions. Mr. Killingsworth
and his colleagues on the committee,
desire to file the petitions with the City
Auditor the day before, which is
Wednesday.

Unless the war continues a year
Wednesday.

Dry Amendments Introduced.

PYTHIAN HEADS TO VISIT Albany Expects Grand Lodge Offi-

cers on April 9.

ALBANY, Or., April 2.—(Special.)— Three lodges of the Knights of Pythias in Linn County will receive official visits next week from Harry G. Wortman, of Medford, grand chancellor, and Walter G. Gleeson, of Portland, grand keeper of records and seal, of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. These officers will visit the Albony lodge April 9, the lodge at Brownsville April 10, and the Lebanon lodge April 11.

Following the Linn County visits the Grand Lodge officers will varie with the business houses of the city. Chairman Beebe turned in for committee yesterday the following

Grand Lodge officers will make visits the at the following cities on the succeeding days: Silverton, April 12; Gaston, April 13; Cornelius, April 14; Corvallis, April 15; Salem, April 17, and McMinnville, April 18.

Peace by Bulgaria Intimated. SOFIA, Bulgaria, April 2, via Amster- Camp & DuPuy, Inc., Rasmussen & Co.,

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Screen and a beautiful scenic.

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dam and London.—Premier Radoslavoff, addressing the Bulgarian Parliament on the Russian revolution, expressed the belief that it would make possible the return of good relations between the Russian and Bulgarian peoples.

MORE FIRMS AID RECRUITS

Chamber Committee Announces Additions of Business Houses.

The special committee of the Cham ber of Commerce appointed to assist in stimulating interest in enlistments will reported yesterday through the civic bureau very promising results among Paraffine Oil reported yesterday through the civic

Chairman Beebe turned in for the committee yesterday the following list of employers who have registered with the committee and pledged themselves to encourage in every way possible en-listment by their employes: The George Lawrence Company, Falling-McCalman Company, Pacific Export Lumber Company, Warren Construction Company, H. M. H. Electric Company, Grant Fee,

W. G. McPherson Company, Hesford Transfer Company, Davis & Holman, Pacific Stationer: & Printing Com-pany, James, Kerns & Abbott, Tro-Laundry Company, W. H. Hollis, Inde-pendent Foundry Company and Frei Pickle Works Pickle Works.

Girls Run Navy-Yard Phone Board. BOSTON, April 2.—The telephone switchboard at the boston Navy-yard was operated today by girls for the first time. They took the place of marrines who were assigned to other duty.

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ent from the ordinary medicine, as passes through the bowels, cleansing as it goes and softening the hardened masses that have caused the stoppage. The bowels then act naturally and expel from the system all the substances which have collected owing to the constinated condition. The movement is stipated condition. The movement is perfectly natural and is not caused by stimulation.

One of the most highly refined of

these paraffine oils is known as Ameroll. It is clear, white, tasteless and odorless oil. It is easily taken and causes no inconvenience afterward. It consists simply of a fligh quality of refined petroleum. Ameroil is sold at all Owl Drug Stores at 50 cents per pint