AMERICANS DEFEAT BIG GERMAN ATTACK

Many Fall in Fierce , Raid Near Toul.

U. S. CAPTAIN AMONG KILLED

German Dead Strew Ground in a report submitted today to Congress. President Gives Attention to Front of Trenches.

HUN BATTERIES SMASHED

Speedy Reprisal Follows Bombardment of Yankee Troops With Gas Shells-Position of Minenwerfer Guns Obliterated by Fire.

PARIS, March 1 .- German troops especially trained for raiding operations tincked the American satient last night and this morning, but the Amerleans maintained their line everywhere and in addition caused beavy casualglso took prisoners on both positions

French official communication made public tonight.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN many American casualties. One of the killed was a captain who was graduated from West Point in 1917.

three German prisoners remaining in American hands. The ground in front of the American trenches was strew with German dead.

Whirlwind of Firing Starts.

A driving wet snow was falling this morning when the Germans opened fire on the American salient with every weapon at their command. Seventy seven's, heavy shells and gas shells fell in a perfect whirlwind on the American grenches for half an hour-

At the same time other enemy shells in great numbers were dropping on the American battery positions.

The Germans, evidently thinking that the Americans in this sector, having had one taste of gas a few days ago, would fear it now, let loose great quanput on their masks and only a few were affected by it. So intense was the fire that the woods back of the salient were shot to pieces.

Germans Surge Forward. At a c'clock the barrage fire lifted

satient and Germans numbering 240 came sweeping forward under the pro-

They advanced, apparently intending to make a big haul and jump into what was left of the trenches, but there, inatead of the easy time anticipated, found the Americans all ready for battle. Fierce hand-to-hand fighting be-

One American Captain rallied his men with rifles and machine guns and went through the American wire entanglements into no man's land and there waited for the enemy, whom he expeeted to be driven out by his comrades in the trenches.

He was right, for soon groups of the tice." enemy started back through the wire entanglements. The Americans poured in a deadly fire, but unfortunately the IRON MOLDERS WALK OUT Captain was killed during the fight. He is the first member of the 1917 class at Members of Spokane Union Demand West Point to be killed.

While the Americans were in front of the wire entanglements and in shell les still fighting desperately, the American barrage fire began sweeping no man's land, catching many running Germans, who had enough of American methods

The barrage swept back and forth, making sure of doing all possible damage to the fore.

Wire Traps German Officers.

18 German soldiers were found in the ployers together. American trenches. Two German officers were entangled in the wire and many bodies were in sight. Eight were visible through the snowstorm at one

The ground was littered with enemy hand grenudes, boxes of explosives for destroying dugouts and incendiary bombs which they had no opportunity

They managed, however, to drop incendiary bombs in two dugouts which were destroyed by fire, but no Americans were in them. If the Germana captured any prisoners, which is doubtful, there were not more than two or three possibly from a listening post. Of the missing, many probably were with a capital stock of \$12,500,000 and puried. Digging for them now is pro- surplus of about \$16,500,000. peeding and others may be accounted

Raid Planned for Weeks.

Two German prisoners were wounded for a welt on one of his hands where he was struck by a young American soldier when he showed fight after tapture.

From the prisoners the American ofestion. One said:

thing before an American jumped onto tional bridge. The fire was returned me and grabbed me by the throat." The Germans had been preparing for more than 100 shots fired. (Convluded on Page 2, Column L)

GOVERNMENT MAY

PURCHASE OF PNEUMATIC MAIL CARRIERS RECOMMENDED.

Congressional Commission Favors Federal Ownership and Operation in Six Big Cities.

WASHINGTON, March 1 .- Governent ownership and operation of pneu matic postal tubes in New York, Brook lyn, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago and St. Louis as a means of retaining highspeed transportation of first-class mail was recommended by the joint Congressional investigating commission is

Despite recommendations of Postmaster-General Burleson that the tubes be shandoned except in the most congested district of New York, the commission by a vote of five to one, favors their purchase at a cost, in all six cities, of not more than \$4,432,622. The committee recommends Federal acquisition of the tubes, now leased at about \$976,000

By substituting automobiles for the tubes a saving of \$114,522 a year could be made, the report says, but that much delay in delivery would result.

LINN HINDUS AMONG FIRST Efforts Made to Become Naturalized in United States in 1908.

ALBANY, Or., March 1 .- (Special.) Recent press dispatches regarding efforts of Hindus to become naturalized in the United States on the ground ties among the enemy. The Americans that they were members of the Caucasian race and therefore legally white ecall that one of the first efforts in The foregoing is contained in the this direction was made in Linn County with the result that the applications were denied.

On February 1, 1998, David Son Kehar-FRANCE, March 1.—(By The Associated declarations of intentions at the office and munitions at Vladivostok and to Fress.)-American troops repulsed a of the County Clerk here. Copies of strong German attack this morning in the declarations were sent to Washingthe salient north of Toul. There were ton, and on December 2, 1905, the De partment of Commerce and Labor sent instructions to the Clerk here to cancel the original declarations and re-The raid was a complete failure, call the certificates issued to the dec-Isrants.

MODESTY OR PRICE PUZZLE

Mayor Baker to Decide Whether City Shall Pay Well for Bathing Suits.

Whether conservation of cloth is to e applied next season to bathing suits a problem facing the City Council. An ordinance has been passed author ining the purchase of 500 suits for use n public awimming tanks, and it has been found that prices are way up, and patterns call for use of as little material as possible.

Whether or not the city should enrage a reduction in the amount of us gas, but the men material or should pay the high price for the old style of suits is a question put up to Mayor Baker to decide. The council faces the element of modesty on the one side and price on the other.

Primate of England Here to Fur-

ther Cause of Liberty.

NEW YORK, March 1 .- The Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang, archbishon of York and primate of England, who arrived at an Atlantic port last night, came to New York today en route to Washington, where he will call on President Wilson.

The Lord archbishop's visit to Amerca, it is announced, "is mainly for the purpose of aiding the movement now under way to further unite the English-speaking peoples of the world in the common cause of liberty and jus-

Minimum of \$6 Daily.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 1 .- Members of the Iron Molders' Union in Spokane struck today for a minimum wage of \$6 a day, according to Arthur R. Burns, international organizer of the union. The Metal Trades Association of Employers admitted that men at some of the plants had quit work.

Edgar C. Snyder, Federal Governnent mediator of Scattle, said today When the enemy had been driven that so far he had failed in an effort back out of the positions, the bodies of to bring the molders and the em-

TWO BIG CONCERNS MERGE

Central and Union Trust Companies of New York Consolidated.

NEW YORK, March L-Trustees of the Central Trust Company and of the Union Trust Company, among the oldest in the country, voted today to merge the two institutions. Their combined deposits will aggregate \$257,000,000. making the new institution among the largest of its kind in the world. It will be known as the Central

Union Trust Company of New York,

BORDER FIGHT BLOODLESS and the other taken was unburt except Mexican Suipers Fire on Americans at El Paso, Who Return in Kind.

EL PASO, March 1 .- Mexican snipers fired across the river at Lieutenant H. ficers have secured much valuable in- E. Waldon, Lieutenant J. J. Neyland and Texas Ranger Joe Mullans tonight "I did not have a chance to do any - as they were walking near the internaby the soldiers and the ranger and

the raid for three weeks, and belonged As far as could be learned, no on (Completed on Page 2, Column 1.) was hit.

TAKE OVER TUBES JAPAN MAY GO IT ALONE IN SIRERIA

Sine action Gaining Favor in U.S.

CABINET DISCUSSES SUBJECT

New Far East Issue.

Comment of British Press Discloses Great Interest With Which Proposition to Combat Latest German Menace Is Viewed.

LONDON, March 2.-According to the Daily Mail, it is understood that the allies have decided to ask the Japanese to take any steps necessary for the STEFANSSON GRAVELY ILL protection of the allies in the Far East Stress is laid on the fact that the British and Japanese governments hold that Japan's Intervention in the Russian affairs is not to be construed as

an act of hostility to Russia or the Russian government. Its purpose is to safeguard menaced and Sham Wassan, both Hindus, made silled interests and to protect stores assist Russia to lighten and eventually lift the burden of the German yoke.

WASHINGTON, March 1 .- Indications ow point to an agreement between the entente powers and America to confide to Japan alone the task of taking such measures as may be necessary to combat German aggression and influence in Siberia and to protect the military stores at Vladivostok.

No final conclusion has been reached, however, and it was said in high official quarters tonight that condition were changing so rapidly and so many new factors were entering into the problem that it would be unsafe to predict overnight what the issue might be

Negotiations Make Progress. Exchanges are proceeding rapidly etween the entente governments and Washington, and the matter was considered at today's Cabinet meeting. It is understood that the State Depart-France, and possibly in Italy.

That is, that a single power, with States be stopped during the war, an efficient army and navy within easy reach of Siberia and not otherwise employed and acting in conformity EIGHT-HOUR DAY ADOPTED with a general agreement, might be on the trenches to the right of the ARCHBISHOP LANG VISITOR better able to deal with the situation British Columbia Loggers Adopt Orethan any international force,

Balabevik Attitude Unknown The attitude of the Bolshevik gov-Japan in Siberia remains to be de-

The Russian contingent in Washingon is strongly opposed to the step. 11, it was announced here today. but, as the Embassy here is out of (Concluded on Page 2, Column 3.)

TRACK CLEARED JUST BEFORE LIMITED SPEEDS PAST.

L. F. Stephens, on Speeder, Hurled From Rails by Obstruction. Two Youths Arrested.

HOOD RIVER, Or., March 1 .- (Speial.)-Phillip Solon, who recently com pleted a 90-day jail sentence in Portand for failure to register under the selective draft act, and Elmer Misner, 15-year-old Scattle boy, are held in jall here for an attempt to wreck the eastbound Oregon-Washington Limited at Lindsay Creek today.

Loss of life, perhaps, was prevented through the discovery by Western Union Lineman L. F. Stephens of large fron bolts and spikes laid on the rails Stephens' gasoline speeder was derailed EARLY DECISION EXPECTED by the obstructions and he sustained evere and painful bruises. The pas senger train followed closely behind the lineman.

Removing bolts from the rails, Stephens, as soon as he recovered himself, notified Hood River authorities. Sheriff Johnson, busy with exemption board work, sent City Marshal Carson to the scene. The latter encountered the east of Lindsay. Both at first strongly asserted their innocence, but the Misner boy broke down tonight and confessed the crime.

Explorer Has Cold and Fever in Arctic and Is Reported Delirious.

DAWSON, Y. T., March 1 .- Captain K. M. Tupper and the members of his Royal Northwest Mounted Police Arctic patrol returned from the northern edge of the continent yesterday and reported that Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the explorer, was wintering at Herschel Island, having reached that point over the ice after his boat, the Polar Bear, grounded at Barter Island last Fall.

Captain Tupper met the explorer The captain said when he left Herschel Stefansson was suffering from a cold and fever. When the police arrived at Fort McPherson on their way to Dawson, a letter was received stating Stefansson had suffered a relapse and was delirious.

Nearly Six Million Women Petition for Liquor Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, March 1 .- Signatures of nearly 6,000,000 women, headed by Mrs. Francis F. Cleveland Preston and Miss Anna A. Gordon, president of the production of malt liquors in the United

gon-Washington System.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March L-Mem rament toward the proposed action by bers of the British Columbia Loggers Association, who employ about 2000 men, have decided to put their camps on an eight-hour basis beginning March This action follows the adoption of touch with the Petrograd government, the eight-hour day beginning today in Oregon and Washington camps.

GET BUSY AND PUT THE PIGS IN THE PEN.

FALL, SAVES TRAIN GENERAL NAMED AS FRIEND OF PACKERS

Letters Tell of Gifts to E. H. Plummer.

SOAP SENT TO COMMANDANT

Camp Dodge Exclusive Field for Armour Products.

GOOD BUSINESS REPORTED

Francis J. Hency, Special Counsel for Federal Trade Commission, Reads More Letters of Compelling Public Interest.

Trade Commission's investigation of the packing-house industry today ad- Liberal Leader of British Columbia verted to packages of soap and toilet articles, the product of Armour & Co., and their presentation to the commanding officer at the Camp Dodge cantonnent, Des Moines, Ia.

The soap incident entered the hear ing when Francis J. Heney, counsel for the commission, read into the records copies of letters which he explained were taken from the files of Armour & Co.

The first, under date of October 18, 1917, bore the signature of R. A. Rightnire, of the Armour Des Moines office. The letter said:

"Old Codger" Said to Be Fussy.

"We have been granted the exclusive right to build a sub-branch close to Camp Dodge. I imagine a little package of toilet articles and a few bars of soap will be highly pleasing to General Plummer. He is a particular old codger and I imagine him to be very fussy about such things." Other letters told of the sending of

the soap and toilet articles to the Gen-WAR TIME EMBARGO ASKED eral. There was delay in the arrival of the package and in reply to a letter another letter was read. signed "E. H. Plummer." It was short

and read as follows: "Package not arrived. You know my loyalty to Armour & Co. 'Nothing else "E. H. PLUMMER."

Arrival of Soap Announced. Another letter from the branch man-

ment is being slowly but steadily in- Woman's Christian Temperance Union, ager told of the arrival and delivery fluenced to accept the view which appeared on a petition presented to of the package. This letter also includ-seems to obtain in Great Britain and President Wilson today asking that ed a sentence saying: "We are doing a world of business DAILY

every day at Camp Dodge and are receiving every courtesy." That "the big packers had information that there would be a greatly increased demand for meat for the allies in January, 1918," was shown, Mr.

Heney said, by letters which he introduced. One of them, under date of December 11, 1917, from the Omaha files of

Cudahy & Co., told of a meeting of packers with J. P. Cotton. Confidential Matter Bared.

The letter said that Mr. Cotton, head of the meat division of the National Food Administration, told the packers (Concluded on Page 5, Column 1.)

McADOO PROMISES

PORTLAND VISITORS TO GET 1-CENT-A-MILE FIGURE.

Encampment Also Will Have Best of Train Facilities at Reunion. Confederate "Vets" Also Win.

WASHINGTON, March 1 .- Director-General McAdoo has decided that the Confederate Veterans shall have spe cial rates and no interference of transportation to their reunion this Sumner at Tulsa, Okla., and that the Grand Army of the Republic shall have the same for its meeting at Portland, Or Director-General McAdoo decided today he could promise train facilities and special rates of 1 cent a mile.

Plans for the Grand Army of the Re public National encampment in Port and next July have been held in abey ance by the uncertainty as to whether or not Director-General McAdoo would allow transportation facilities. This formal announcement will remove all uncertainty and the plans will proceed. It is expected that a campaign will be conducted by the Portland hamber of Commerce, and special com mittees appointed by Governor Withy combe and Mayor Baker to raise fund for the entertainment of the visitors

CHICAGO, March 1.-The Federal PREMIER BREWSTER DIES

Expires at Calgary. CALGARY, Alberta, March 1 .- Pre-

ier Brewster of British Columbia died at 10:15 P. M. Harian Carey Brewster, Liberal Prenier of British Columbia, has resided n British Columbia since 1896, when

failing eyesight compelled him to give up his work as a printer on the Boston. Mass., Herald. Always interested in politics, Mr Brewster represented Alberta two terms in the Provincial Legislature.

During the sessions of 1910, 1911 and 1913 he was the only Liberal member in the Legislature. In 1912 he was elected president of the Liberal party. He led the Liberals in the 1916 election, when the govern-ment headed by W. J. Bowser was defeated. Mr. Brewster was then called upon to form a government and, under bis guidance, the Liberals came into power for the first time in 13 years.

Mr. Brewster was born at Harvey, Albert County, New Brunswick, November 10, 1870. A brother, James Brewster, is an operator in the As-

ociated Press office of Seattle. Senator Smith Will Retire.

WASHINGTON, March L .- Senator William Alden Smith, of Michigan, a Republican leader in the Senate, announced today that he would not be a candidate for re-election, but would leave the Senate when his term ex-pired, March 4, 1919.

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ntiment seems growing to allow Japan to act alone in dealing with Siberian crisis Page 1.

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Republican National chairman says all ef-forts should be united to win war, Page 3. Sports. Multnomah Club to meet Oregon quintet tonight Page 8.

Lincoln High School wins title in Inter-scholastic Busketball League. Page 8. Ballplayers begin to leave for Spring training camps. Page 8. Pacific Northwest. Lineman prevents O.-W. R. & N. limited wreck. Page 1.

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G. A. R. GOOD RATES BOLSHEVIKI FEAR PEACE DEAL

Slav Delegates Order Their Train.

ALARM SOUNDED BY LENINE

Message From Brest-Litovsk Suggests Trouble.

AUSTRIA JOINS INVASION

German Advance Continues-No Prospect of Halting Until Treaty Has Been Signed-Three Days for Parleys Allowed.

LONDON, March 1 .- According to a dispatch received here from a semiofficial news agency at Petrograd, dated Thursday, the German offensive has been stopped by serious resistance which has been offered by the revolu-

tionary troops. VIENNA, via London, March 1 .- Ten thousand Russians already have laid down their arms and considerable quantities of ammunition. Cars and other rolling stock have been taken by the Austrians, says an official communication announcing the commencement of the advance in Russia.

LONDON, March L-A message received by the Bolshevik government in Petrograd from Brest-Litovsk, dated Friday, ordering a train under military & guard to meet the Russian delegates at Toroshaets, was considered by the government as probably signifying that the peace negotiations have

nessage was received Friday from

Brest-Litovsk: 'The council of commissaries, Petrograd: Send us a train to Toroshaets, near Pskov, escorted by sufficiently large forces. Communicate with Krylenko concerning the bodyguard. " '(Signed.) KARAHAN!

People Called to Resist.

"This message most probably signifies that the peace negotiations have been broken off by the Germans. We must be ready for an immediate Gernan advance on Petrograd and on all YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 52 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees.
TODAY'S—Rain; fresh southeasterly winds. ple arise and strengthen the measures for defense.

PETROGRAD, March 1 .- The occu-

pation of Rostov-on-Don by the Bolshe-

iki after a sanguinary battle and the forced retreat of the troops of General Kaledines and General Korniloff is reported by the semi-official news agency BERLIN, March 1. via London.-Geran troops continuing their advance in

Russia have reached the Dnieper River, the War Office announces. Austro-Hungarian troops have begun an advance into Ukraine over wide sec-

tors north of the Pruth The movement of Austro-Hungarian troops, the statement says, was begun in response to an appeal from Ukraine. The Germans also have reached the line Klev-Shmerinka, near Fastoff and

Town Taken by Storm.

The text of the statement follows: Our troops have reached the Dnieper in their advance castward. Along the northern frontier of the Ukraine, near Ryechitsa, they encountered a strongly fortified bridgehead which was defended by the enemy. The town and railway (Continued on Page 4, Column 3.)

....... A FREE KNITTING BOOK FOR EVERY WOMAN READER OF THE OREGONIAN.

The Red Cross wants the help of every American woman in knitting socks, sweaters, mutflers and wash cloths for the soldiers and sallors. It has issued an illustrated

booklet showing just what articles are wanted and giving explicit directions for making them. It shows it all in pictures and tells what kind of yarn and what size needles to use. Almost every woman can spare a little time for the aid and com-

fort of the boys who are taking

Old Glory to Europe-taking It there that the women and children of America may not know the horror of contact with the brutish hordes of Prussia. Get this little book of instructions at once and weave into every stitch your protest against

world under the feet of its selfish ambition. Write at once for a free copy of "The Knitting Book." Enclose a 2-cent stamp for return postage and address Frederic J. Haskin, director The Portland Oregonian Information Bureau,

this mad power that would tram-

ple the peace and honor of the

Washington, D. C. Do NOT write to The Orego-

