BY HAIG'S FORCES PRESIDENT WILSON APPEALS TO YOUTH OF COUNTRY.

Swift Rush Carries British to Edge of Bullecourt.

HINDENBURG LINE NOW NEAR

Some of Heaviest Fighting of War Proceeding in This Strategic Sector.

CAPTIVES EXCEED 17.000

Important Towns Fall: Planes and Tanks Working Havoc on Fleeing Foe.

ciated Press.)-On some parts of have reached points a thousand yards extent. from the old Hindenburg line, which seems strongly held.

In addition to crossing the Albert-Bapaume road at many places, the British have made progress southward for a considerable distance with the cavalry operating in front of the infantry.

Resistance of a really strong naat many places along the battle front. but where the bulk of the Germans try virtually seeded with single machine guns in protected positions and groups of machine guns in nests.

Never before, not even during the progress of this battle, have the airplanes had such numerous targets for their bullets and bombs.

It is reported that British outposts have reached the fringe of Bullecourt, which lies seven miles northwest of east of Albert.

ported to have reached the outskirts ableor Suzanne, two miles east of Bray-sur-Somme, and to be near Cappy, grain even for their own use and Ger-to catch the nickels and dimes for the of Bray on the south bank of the Somme. A heavy rain fell this even

LONDON, Aug. 25 .- The British Membership Drive for Clarke Countroops made further progress today and have taken many prisoners notwithstanding the arrival of German reinforcements on the battle front, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight.

British Take Many Towns.

The British continued their attacks mans north of the River Somme. Contalmaison, three and three-quarter miles northeast of Albert, and Warlencourt-Eaucourt, on the Albert-Bapaume road, three miles southwest of Bapaume have been captured.

The text of the official statement

"Resistance increased today with the arrival of German reinforcements or the battle front. Many hostile counterattacks were broken down. Our troops with great gallantry have overcome the resistance and have made further progress; they have taken many prisoners.

Anzacs Make Advance. "North of the Somme the Aus-

tralians carried the enemy's positions on the high ground east of Bray British troops advanced in the direction of Carnoy and have taken Mametz. "Welsh troops captured Mametz

"In the center we captured Martinpuich, Le Sars and Le Barque, Contalmaison and Warlencourt-Eaucourt. "North of Bapaume there has been

severe fighting in Favreuil and about lations to the government on the trend Mory and Croisilles. We captured of the war. Sapignies, Behagnies and Neuville-Vittasse, and progressed east of these CANTON, O., HAS BIG BLAZE

"North of the Somme our troops hold the road from Albert to Bapaume The number of prisoners taken by the Third and Fourth armies on the

battle front since the morning of Au-Concluded on Page 2, Column ...)

BOY SCOUTS' AID IN LOAN DRIVE ASKED

Work for Fourth Liberty Loan Is Declared to Be One of Ways to Help Win War.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. - The Boy Scouts of America, with a membership of approximately 450,000, were called upon by President Wilson, in a letter made public last night, to put forth their utmost efforts to make the fourth liperty loan a success. In replying to the President, Colin H. Livingstone, organization, pledged the Boy Scouts "give even greater service than heretofore."

After commenting upon the record of the Boy Squits in the three previous liberty loan campaigns, in which they sold \$203,169,000 worth of bonds BOGUS PATRIOTS HARD HIT in subscriptions numbering 1,322,619, or one out of every 23 subscriptions ob-

"I beg every member of the Boy Scouts of America to realize that the service rendered by the Boy Scouts has been greatly appreciated by the whole Nation and that not only the officials of the Treasury and of the various liberty loan committees are ooking to them for effective work in the fourth campaign, but that the whole country, which is already proud of them, expects it. There is no better way in which they can show their desire to help win the war."

· Secretary McAdoo, it was announced WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN tonight, has written to the governors FRANCE, Aug. 25 .- (By the Asso- of Federal reserve banks and chairmen of liberty loan committees urging that the services of the Boy Scouts be taken the northern battle front the British advantage of to the fullest possible

MEN WILL GO ON STRIKE

Workers of Pacific Coast Steel Company to Quit Work Today.

SEATTLE, Aug. 25 .- (Special)-Between 1200 and 1400 workers employed by the Pacific Coast Steel Company, engaged exclusively on contracts for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, will ture seems to be slightly diminishing strike tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock, following the breaking off of negotiations between representatives of the company and the men, who demand an are retiring they have left the coun- agreement providing for pay and working conditions similar to those enjoyed

in the shipyards. Following the action of the men in voting to go out, S. L. Boddy, of the Metal Trades Council, who was chairman of the conference committee for the men, announced that all of the latter would, tomorrow, seek employment in the shippards.

Bapaume, and captured high wood Food Administrator Hoover yesterday

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 .- Discussing the food situation in enemy countries said Germany's prospects for grain from Ukraine did not materalize. The WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN stock of grain in Germany, he said, is about the same as last year. Austria's blue, carrying pie and doughnuts like FRANCE, Aug. 25 .- (By the Associ- condition is not quite so good in this ated Press.)-British troops are re- respect, according to information avail- he opened up with for the Salvation

slightly less than two miles southeast many must supply both countries or let them starve.

PATRIOTS ARE ORGANIZING

ty Defense Council Begun.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Aug. 25 - (Special.)-The captains for the membership drive for the Clarke County Council of Defense have been appointed. They met last night at the clubrooms of the Vancouver Commercial Club.

It was decided to have these captains appoint a number of assistants and all throughout the day against the Ger- will meet in the City Council chamber Monday evening at 8 o'clock to discuss thoroughly the details of the proposed campaign. L. M. Burnett is chairman of the

membership committee.

HALF MILLION VIEW RACE

Swim Across Paris Is Won by Michael in 2 Hours 59 Minutes.

PARIS, Aug. 25 .- The 11th annual "across Paris" swimming contest was won today by Michael. Fleurix was second and Nivet finished third. The winner swam the distance in 2 hours and 59 minutes. More than half a million people lined the banks of the Seine to see the race.

WAR'S FORTUNES DECIDED

French Premier Sends Cheering Message to Councils,

PARIS, Aug. 25 .- "The fine victories of the past week have definitely decided the fortunes of war," says M. Clemenceau, the French Premier, in a message today thanking the departmental councils, which voted congratu-

Fire Causes Loss Estimated at One

Million Dollars.

CANTON, O., Aug. 25 .- Fire which started this evening caused a loss estimated at \$1,000,000.

At \$:30 the fire was still burning.

HURLED AT KAISER

Evangelist Lets Loose All Artillery.

INIQUITY SCORGHED

president of the National council of the War for Democracy of World enemy Is Glorified.

Address to Throng Packing Salem Armory to Window Sills Made for Opening of Salvation

Army War Drive.

CHARACTERISTIC SUNDAY HOT SHOT AT KAISER.

"Germany lost out when she turned from Christ to Krupp, she lost out when she turned from Calvary's cross to the Iron Cross."

"I never mention the Kaiser's name without feeling the need of a disinfectant to wash my mouth out."

"You never catch God napping. God is always able to put the ball over the fence every time he walks up to the plate."

"When it comes to running hell the Kaiser has got the devil hanging to the ropes with his tongue sticking out. Why, the Kaiser has got the devil's hell looking like a sideshow; the devil's not up to date when it comes to running hell."

"The man who starts a strike for an increase of \$1 a day is as much of a profiteer as he who grafts the Nation for \$10,000."

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BY D. H. UPJOHN.

Billy Sunday threw the throttle wide open for the National War Service Naval authorities late today brought gated.

"The American army is storing sup-SALEM, Or., Aug. 25 .- (Special.)-3000 more jammed the streets outside. board. Nearly every part of the Willamette

Valley was represented. "When the boys from the trenches are staggering back starved and shaken they are welcomed by the lassies in mother used to make," was the tribute "They were true to the flag Roumania and Bulgaria, he said, both before the war was declared, and on to catch the nickels and dimes for the air squadron attacked Constantinople violate Swiss neutrality?" cause of Christ and their country, and Wednesday night, says a Turkish offi-

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WAR TIDE TURNED, SAYS CLEMENCEAU

COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF FOE BELIEVED IN SIGHT.

Enemy Finding He Underestimated Strength of Allies, Asserts

PARIS, Aug. 25 .- Premier Clemen ceau today telegraphed the presidents of the general councils that they could rely upon the government and Marshal Foch and his magnificent staff and the allied artillery commanders to turn the present success of the allied arms into complete and decisive collapse of the

"The splendid victories of the recent weeks," said M. Clemenceau, "in which the spirit of our allies has so magnificently rivaled ours, has definitely settled the fortune of war. The enemy bewildered, deceiving himself as to his own strength, now is finding out that he underestimated us.

"The results achieved are the firs fruits of our harvest of rewards, the highest of which will be having delivered the world from ruthless oppression and brutality.

"We hall the dawn, the first gleams of which brightened the victorious blows of the founders of the American republic and of the fathers of our revo lution. The last obstacle to the establishment of rights among men is about to disappear. The triumph is near.

"Universal co-operation toward the world's rejuvenation will attain the ideal goal for which so many generations have been striving."

VOLUME OF CHECKS HUGE Total of \$5,369,707,000 Drawn in Week in 110 Cities of U. S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 .- As an index of the volume of banking busi-ness the Federal Reserve Board has ssued the first of a series of weekly reports showing the total of checks drawn on banks in 110 cities through-

out the country. It was the first of a number of staistical reports to be made by the Federal Reserve Board shortly covering a wide field of economic subjects. The report shows that the volume of checks drawn in the 110 cities during the week ending August 21 on individual accounts was \$5,369,707,000.

YACHT PUT UNDER GUARD verbial difficulties of neutrality, lis-

Vessels Having Foreigners in Crew vade Switzerland," declared the enemy, to Be Investigated.

afternoon and for over an hour steamed placed her under an armed guard pend- plies at Buempliz, near Berne," the brilliant decoration ceremony the lodge delegations as their trains arrive LONDON, Aug. 25.—Via Montreal.

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Decorations natrols of British

HUN GRAIN OUTLOOK POOR

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Afternoon and for over an hour steamed up the grade, splitting jazz and pep at several foreigners among her crew.

Activities of enemy submarines along with the visiting delegations as their trains arrive in the city. Numerous bands are expected to arrive with the visiting delegations and each lodge will vie with -Reconnoitering patrols of British Hoover Says That Expected Receipts was worth while to the evangelist, as the Atlantic Coast, naval officials said, have arrived already. Carloads of suptant troops are entering Bapaume. mory to the window sills and 2000 or craft with persons of foreign birth on Die Amerikaner have purchased a box

from New London, Conn., for East-

Two Air Squadrons Attack Constantinople, Says Official Report,

(Concluded on Page 4, Column L) cial statement received here today.

ACH! SUCH A FINISH IN SIGHT ALL READY YET.

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UBER ALLES

FOR RELIEF WORK DUSKY SOLDIER RAISES VOICE

Red Cross Goes to Aid American Captives.

JUST BLUFF, ASSERTED HUNS

Opinion of Boches.

PLAIN LIES TOLD TO SWISS

Supplies Stored Near Berne Said to audience in the prayer, glanced covert-Be for Violation of Neutrality.

Vast Work Done for Relief of Prisoners.

BY CABL W. ACKERMANN. (Copyright, 1918, by Public Ledger Co.) PREFACE.

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PREFACE.

To the Germans the United States is the biggest "bluffer" in the world. A German author has written a book entitled "President Bluff." Reports that the United States was in the war to a "finish" were considered "more bluff." Statements that we had more than a million men in France were "still more bluff."

Last December, when the American Red Cross began its preparations for the care of Americans who might be made prisoners of war by the Boohe; when this great organization made its first invasion of Germany to care for 10,000 men, the German said this was "more than bluff"; that it was foolish, wasteful and extravagant!

But as every day passas this "American bluff" is making good. We are in the war to win. We have a great Army in France whose millitary ability has astoniable every nation, including Germany, and the first invasion of Germany, by the Red Cross through Switzerland, has been so successful that the enemy is becoming convinced that "American bluff" is simply American thoroughness on a larger scale than Von Hindenburg ever thought possible.

The following article is the complete story of our first invasion of Germany; of the plans and preparations of the American Red Cross Society to feed and clothe every American who falls into the hands of the Hun.

"Achtung!" said the Germans to the Swiss. "Die Amerikaner!" The Swiss, who are having the protened. "The Americans are going to in-

"and we can prove it!" The Helvetian Republic became more

poard.

The Zega, it was said, was bound things. Take care, or the Americans leted).

will come before you know it."

Will come before you know it."

German propagandists spread the rumor. It could be heard every day in head gaves just the proper dramatic River Highway. FLYERS RAID TURK CAPITAL press was mobilized and the finger of hate was pointed at the United States Swiss citizens, neutral, pro-Boche and BIG WAR CREDIT SOUGHT triotic assembly at the Municipal Audiindifferent, became interested; some were even excited. "Could it be pos sible," they asked themselves and their AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25 .- Two hostile neighbors "that America intended to I arrived in Switzerland as the storn

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DESERT OF

HOPES

GERMAN

O LO'D, FORGIVE CAP'N, IS PRAYER

Erring Non-Coms' Faults Also Listed in Loud Appeal to Heaven at Camp Grant.

CAMP GRANT, Rockford, Ill., Aug. 25 .- (Special.)-"O. Lo'd forgive, we pray, the Captain of this comp'y his grievous sins. Sofen his heart an' bring him to walk wit' thee in all his

A youthful Captain of infantry guid-Brigade this afternoon stopped abruptly, put up his hand to hide a smile and gulded his party in a hasty retreat while the sing-song voice of the tall negro soldier leading one of a dozen open-air prayer meetings in the area went steadily on imploring the light to be lifted for the erring white man The leader, seemingly oblivious to his surroundings, while he led his swaying ly at the retreating officer and raised his voice a trifle, enjoying fully his virtuous position and temporary advantage over the "boss.

The retreating party then came into range of another camp meeting group and listened while a colored orator in khaki led in prayer expressly for the good of sinning non-coms, the men in camp who have special jurisdiction Eiks are holding a convention in town! over the lives and industry of recruits The bars were down for the first time in the week and the religious groups were making the most of their holiday freedom, at the same time administering well-aimed barbs at the habits of the higher-ups. Another leader prayed for strength to whip the Kaiser, but to have a good time, and there will be the youthful captain did not think it wise to take his party within hearing distance of the remaining meetings. These open-air religious gatherings. typical of the old Southern camp meeting, took the attention of every colored

Camp Custer to recruit the 803d Inof interest for thousands of civilian night, visitors who flooded the reservation through the afternoon.

Battle Proceeds Overhead. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN do his utmost to make this convention FRANCE, Aug. 25 .- (By the Associated a memorable one, Press.)-Fifty-five officers, non-commissioned officers and men of a certain attentive. Impossible though the American division were awarded the the registering of newly-arrived guests charge appeared, it had to be investi- Legion of Honor, the Military Medal, at the Elks' Temple. The reception the War Cross or Distinguished Serv- committee, of which C. C. Bradley is ice Cross this morning at the most chairman, will meet all the visiting

Awards Received While Aeroplane

The decorations and medals were given personally by General (name de-

Roumanian Parliament Asked to Vote 2,000,000,000 Lei.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25 .- The Finance in the war credits from 1,700,000,000 lei to 2,000,000,000 lel. (A lei in normal behalf of the convention committee,

Rumanian newspapers say that the 000 let to repair damage caused by the

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Elks own city next three days. Men of 45 to 56 now wanted in staff corps of be sold at 50 cents apiece, half of the Kaiser whipped, says Major White. Page 12 proceeds to go to the Red Cross and Oregon to go over top quickly for Y. M. C. A. Page 12.

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OREGON ELKS OWN CITY NEXT 3 DAYS

"Hello Bill" Greeting Will Be Heard.

GREAT DOINGS ARE PLANNED

Effort Worse Than Useless, in great training fields of the 161st Depot State Association's First Convention Opens Today.

10,000 VISITORS EXPECTED

Every Portland Brother Declares Himself in Readiness to Do His Utmost to Make This Gathering Memorable One.

Everybody throw away your troubles and get out your old tin horn. The Anyone who remembers anything of the last Elks' convention held in Portland knows what that last statement means. The city is not decorated so elaborately this time as it was the last and the crowd will not be as large, but the Elks need no elaborate decorations enough of them here to turn the town topsy-turvy, it is said.

10,000 Visitors Expected.

The first annual convention of the Oregon State Elks' Association opens soldier in camp following the big ar-rival of 3000 colored troops newly from the 10,000 visitors who are expected in the city for the occasion will be here fantry Regiment and were the center ere the sun sinks below the horizon to-

All details for the entertainment of the visitors during the three-day ses-sion which ends Wednesday night were ompleted yesterday morning by the YANKS GET DECORATIONS Portland committee in charge of the onvention, composed of K. K. Kubli, hairman; Harry G. Allen, C. C. Bradley, Fred W. Wagner, Stanhope Pier and William McGinn, Every Portland Elk was declared to be in readiness to

Visitors to Be Met at Trains.

This morning will be taken up with heard the most.

Between 1 and 2 o'clock this afternoon a long string of autos will leave Perfect weather added to the the Elks Temple at Broadway and

Patriotic Assembly Today.

The event of today will be a big patorium, to attend which the Elks' lodge has extended a generous invitation to the people of Portland. Charles Ringler, exalted ruler of Portland Lodge, No. 142, will preside.

The programme will be opened by Minister of Roumania introduced a bill selected music by the Elks' band, Portn parliament, according to a telegram land Lodge, which will be followed by rom Bucharest, asking for an increase an invocation by Brother Hamilton Johnstone; an address of welcome, on Brother Ringler; an organ solo on the mammoth Auditorium organ by Brothgovernment will appropriate 600,000 - er Ralph W. Hoyt; an address of weicome in behalf of the city of Portland, by Brother George L. Baker, Mayor; response on behalf of the state association by Brother William S. Kennedy, president; a solo by Miss Asirid Roal; Elks' tribute to the flag, Brother John Will, exalted ruler of The Dalles lodge; songs by Elks' quartet, from Vancouver Barracks; a patriotic address by Brother L. J. Simpson, of North Bend; a solo by Brother Warren A. Erwin, and a tableaux by members of the Portland lodge. Patriotism will be the predominating theme of the assembly.

Good-fellowship Furthered.

The Oregon State Association of Elks was organized May 13, 1918, as a sort of advisory council to the Grand Lodge It is composed of one delegate for each 25 members of the other lodges of the state. It was formed, in the words of bonds of fraternity, to further goodfellowship among the lodges, to protect and promote the interests of the Court helds Cunard line not responsible for Elks' order in the state of Oregon, to of life and property when Lusitania exchange ideas beneficial to the lodges of this state, and to bear true alle-California's primary election tomorrow.

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Elks and of the United States of American States of

The Elks is an all-American and only American organization. It does not exist in any other country. The main Wing dodges Gorman bout. Page 3.

Boston president objects to world's series arrangements. Page 8.

order of busines, to be transacted at this convention is the election of officers of the State Association for the order of busines, to be transacted at cers of the State Association for the ensuing year.

For the parade which is to be held tomorrow night, the section of the G. A. R. reviewing stand in front of the Postoffice which has been left standing will be reserved. The seats will the other half to the G. A. R. committee which stood the expense of building Heavy Student Army Training Corps at colleges is assured. Page 12.

Father Simpson delivers farewell sermon.

Intense rivalry is expected to develop among the various delegations in tryconvention for next year.

Prizes, which have been donated by (Continued on Page 12, Column a)