Region Succeeds.

Bitter Fighting.

Smash Gains Considerable Success

at Different Points, Although

Weather Is Unfavorable.

ROME, Oct. 25 .- In bitter fighting

"Bitter fighting occurred yesterday

forning in the Monte Grappa region.

Parties of our troops resolutely at-

Enemy's Losses Large.

esistance, suffered considerable losses.

A few small islands were occupied at

Grave Di Papadopoli in the Plave

"In the Posina-Allico sector and in

midnight of October 24 is 84 officers

LONDON, Oct. 25 .- (1:15 P. M.)-Italian troops have begun an offensive

between the Piave and the Brents. In

he Monte Grappa sector Thursday. In

advanced across the Ornic River and

captured Monte Solarolo, part of Monte

River Islands Captured.

In the Plave River the Italians have

captured the Islands of Grave, Pattaanoli and Maggiore. The weather of

LONDON, Oct. 25 .- British and French troops are aiding the Italians in their

On the Plave front the British have

river and captured enemy garrisons of

gained a footing on some islands in the

400 men. The Italians have made prog-

overcoming determined resistance, re-

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new offensive. According to reports

Prassolan and Monte Pertica.

captured nearly 2000 prisoners.

The statement follows:

on the northern bank of the

3000 MEN TAKEN

HAIG TAKES 9000 BOCHES: 150 GUNS GIRLS OF 18 YEARS BECOME PROPERTY OF STATE.

Railway Between Le Quesnoy and Maing Reached.

BRITISH ADVANCE STEADILY

Enemy Driven From Villages Bruille and Buridon, North of Valenciennes.

LOSSES ARE

Constant Hammering Serves to Make Foe Opposition Grow More Desultory.

LONDON, Oct. 25 .- Nine thousand Germans have been made prisoner and of similar decrees already issued at Luga, Kolpin and other places. 150 guns have been captured by the 150 guns have been captured by the A similar "project of provisional British in their attacks against the rights in connection with the social-Germans, according to Field Marshal Haig's communication issued tonight. South of Valenciennes the British diers' deputies of that city. have reached the entire railway line

The text of the communication fol- University of Oregon Students Start lows:

"We have continued our advance on the battle front south of the River Scheldt.

Railway Is Reached.

"We have captured Sepmeriese and officers' training school Querenaing and reached the line of the east of Maing. In the afternoon nev-

on the Sambre-Scheldt battle front ing camp. They left for the school the first third and fourth British are this afternoon. the first, third and fourth British armies captured 9000 prisoners and 150 guns. North of Valenciennes we have MAYO MUST PAY \$100.000 cleared the enemy rearguards from the villages of Bruille and Buridon."

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE AND FLANDERS, Oct. 25.

Julian Mayo, wealthy New Haven, captured the islands of Conn., manufacturerer, will have to pay to Wilhelmina Meyer, the woman who the front is unfavorable. the outskirts of Le Quesnoy, having than 10 years after a ceremonial mar-driven forward across the Le Quesnoy-riage, the sum of \$100,000 and costs Valenciennes railway after heavy for breach of promise to marry, under fighting.

Large Area Abandoned.

The enemy appears to have rethe ground in this zone.

British patrols late today were op- divorced." erating in the Le Quesnoy region, while British infantry had reached the NUT SHELLS NEED IS GREAT high ground north of Maresches and

Today's advance greatly increases the menace to the Germans holdingment needs 1,000,000 pounds of nut Valenciennes, which is rapidly being shells and fruit stones daily for manubottled up.

If a line were drawn through the positions now held by General Horne's pressure as during the last three days, the enemy will be forced to evacuate Valenciennes

Attack Is Before Dawn.

When the British attacked this morning they held Vendegies and the WITH THE ALLIED ARMIES IN

The details of the fighting here are not yet available, but it is known that

In yesterday's operation the fifth the British pushed through early in army captured a German ambulance the day and were still going ahead. Which was engaged in carrying am-The British second army, attacking in Cross. conjunction with the French on the northern battle front, fought its way steadily forward in the face of heavy artillery fire and captured Moen, in Flanders. The French are reported making good progress on the British

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN -2 P. M .- (By the Associated Press.) 000. -Further important gains were made today by the British first and third armies in their encircling drive about Valenciennes. South of the infested THOMAS E. PAXTON DIES city the attacking forces pushed forward more than two miles, capturing Querenaing and Sepmeries, while on

the north Odomez was taken. South of Valenciennes the attack Thomas E. Paxton, city editor of the at an early hour had taken the British of the Oregonian, died in this city this forward more than two miles, thereby evening, of pneumonia, following in-

MONOPOLY IN RUSSIAN MAIDENS IS DECREED

e-Sided Freedom Officially Pre Offensive in Monte Grappa scribed in Matter of Mating. "No" Never Accepted.

LONDON, Oct. 25 .- (British Wireless Service.)—Russian maidens under the jurisdiction of certain provincial Bolshevik soviets become the "property of the state" when they reach the age of 18 years and are compelled to register at a government "bureau of free love," according to the official Gazette of the Vladimir Soviet of workers and soldiers' deputies, which recently published that soviet's decree on the subject.

Under the decree, a woman having registered, "has the right to choose from among men between 19 and 50 chabitant husband."

The consent of the man chosen is not necessary, the decree adds, the man chosen having no right to make

any protest. A similar privilege of choosing from among the registered women is given every man between 19 and 50 "without the consent of the woman." This pro vision is described as "in the interes

Opportunities for choosing husbands and wives are to be presented once each month, the decree stated. Children born of such marriages are to become the "property of the state." Stringent rules and penalties are laid down for

the protection of girls under 18. The decree further states that it has been based on the "excellent" example

ization of women in the city of Khvel-insk and vicinity" has been published

on the front between Le Quesnoy and MEN PICKED FOR TRAINING Ornic torrent in the Alano basin.

for Fortress Monroe.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 25 .- (Special.) -- Merritt Whitten, son of F. C. Whitten, of Portland, left River. The hostile garrisons were caphere for Fortress Monroe, Virginia, this tured. orning to enter the Coast Artillery

The other men of the university's Le Quesnoy-Valenciennes railway from quota of men to go to Fortress Monroe our own and allied patrols carried out the northwest of Le Quesnoy to the are Frederick O. Bradshaw, of Hera small surprise attack with success. miston; Paul E. Blanchard, of Grants Pass; Walter P. Stewart, of Portland, eral counter attacks were repulsed on and E. B. Cooper, of South Natick, Mass. All four are members of Company and 2791 men of other ranks." "During Wednesday and Thursday C, in the Oregon state officers' train-

Wealthy Manufacturer Loses Fight Brought by Woman, Not His Wife. NEW YORK, Oct. 25.-Virginius St. The British troops tonight were on lived with Mayo as his wife for more

a decision today of the appellate division of the Supreme Court. Counsel for the plaintiff set forth in his brief that Mayo induced her "to able weather conditions. treated from a considerable portion of him at a time when he had a wife livcontract a ceremonial marriage with ing and from whom he had not been

were attacking the German positions Government Asks for 1,000,000 Pounds of Kitchen Waste Dally. NEW YORK, Oct. 25 .- The Govern facturing gas mask charcoal and at present is unable to purchase one-third that amount

This and the fallure of the public army on the north and General Byng's to co-operate fully by saving and sendforces on the south, it would pass well ing in this form of waste from the to the east of Valenciennes. Should kitchen have made it necessary for the the British continue their forward chemical warfare headquarters here to

HUNS VIOLATE RED CROSS

British Capture Ambulances Loaded

With Ammunition. high ground east of that place. From FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Oct. 25 .- (By these points they drove off before day- the Associated Press.) - The British light into the ridge country north and army now has obtained absolute proof that the Germans are violating the rules of civilized warfare in respect to the use

munition that bore the Geneva Red

BELGIUM GETS \$9,000,000

King Albert's Stricken Country Now

Has Borrowed \$180,020,000. WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- With the addition of a \$9,000,000-credit established by the Treasury today for Bei-FRANCE AND FLANDERS, Oct. 25. United States now amount to \$180,026,-

The total for all the allies is \$7,529,-

Newspaperman of Baker Succumbs

to Pneumonia After Influenza.

BAKER, Or., Oct. 25 .- (Special.)virtually eliminating the sharp salient fluenza. Mr. Paxton is survived by (Concluded on Page 3, Column 1.) widow and baby daughter,

BRITISH NAVAL FLEET ITALY STARTS BIG MORE THAN DOUBLED

DRIVE ON AUSTRIA VAST EXPANSION DURING WAR ANNOUNCED.

> Connage Increased from 2,500,000 to 6,500,000; Great Transport Work Done.

LONDON, Oct. 25 .- Figures made public today on the growth of the British savy during the war show the fleet, including auxiliaries, increased from 2,-500,000 tons displacement to 6,500,000 tons and the personnel from 146,000 to

Ornic River Is Crossed After 500,000 soldiers have been transported by sea. Of this number 4391 were lost. For the requirements of the British army and naval forces more than \$6, 000,000 tons of stores were shipped and more than 24,000,000 tons were taken overseas for Great Britain's PIAVE ISLANDS CAPTURED

Transportation was also provided for 2,900,000 animals.

INCREASE OF WAGE DENIED

Fuel Administrator Garfield Refuses to Grant Coal Miners' Request.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- Fuel Administrator Garfield today refused to did not require wage increases.

are under agreement with the Govern-ment to continue operations at the The naval guns which have been in

of the massif. They established them-selves on the northern bank of the REPRESENTATIVE TO TRAIN struction.

"The enemy, who offered stubborn Rogers of Massachusetts Off to Camp at His Own Request.

> WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- Representaive Rogers of Massachusetts, Repubcan, left Washington today for Camp Zachary Taylor at Louisville, Ky., to

Mr. Rogers, who is 37 years old, was

CARIBOU OBSTRUCT RIVER

Difficult in Yukon, DAWSON, Y. T., Oct. 9 .- (Delayed.)-Migrating caribou along the Yukon River near the American-Canadian bor. der were so thick last week that the United States steamboat General Jeff C. Davis had difficulty in navigating

reaching London today the attacks of the allies are meeting with considerable success, notwithstanding the unfavor-

Touch of Winter; More Due.

ress between the Brenta and the Plave, Western Nebraska. Predictions of more snow tonight and tomorrow, were made.

U.S. USES BIGGEST CANNON IN FRANCE

Mammoth Long - Range Guns Pound Hun Lines.

WEAPONS ARE 66 FEET LONG

Specially Built Railway Carriages Bear Big Rifles.

NAVAL MEN ARE IN CHARGE

Cannon Fires Projectile Which, It Is Said, Is of Greater Explosive Power Than Hun Super-Gun.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- Details of yesterday in the region of Monte grant bituminous coal miners an in-Grappa the Italians established them- crease of wages sought in connection ment in making available for use on with the plan for stabilization of wages the western front of great 16-inch Ornic River, says the official statement worked out for the anthracite miners. naval guns, which press dispatches issued today by the War Office. They He held that the bituminous situation have reported to be hammering the German rallway centers back of the The bituminous mine workers, who Oise-Serre front, were made public to-

existing scale until the end of the war operation since September 16, orig-treatment, tacked some portions of the formidable or for a period of two years, were told inally were intended for new battle enemy positions and succeeded in through Frank J. Hays, president of cruisers but a change in the design possession of important supporting information did not warrant increases for that use. Rear Admiral Earle, chief will be able to resume his journey of the Navy bureau of ordnance, then for them as a part of the Government's of the Navy bureau of ordnance, then general plan of wage stabilization. the western front and he was directed to proceed with the design and con-

Naval Men Operate Guns.

The guns are manned and operated by officers and men of the United States Navy, under the command of Rear Admiral Plunkett, ex-director of the office of gunnery exercises and engineering performance. The first party of officers and men to handle the guns the Assa valley enemy advanced posts become a private in the field artillery arrived in France June 9; the first were destroyed. On the Asiago plateau He announced he would not resign his shipment of material left this country June 20 and the entire organization was corpleted and ready to move "The total number of prisoners cap-tured from midnight of October 23 to draft board at Lowell, Mass., his home August.

long, weigh about 100 tons without here tonight in a lecture before the So-their carriages, and are said to throw ciety of Chemical Industry. a heavier projectile and have a greater muzzle velocity than any weapon ever Migrating Animals Make Navigation placed on a mobile land mounting. The weight of the explosive used with killed by American gas. each projectile is many times greate than that used in the freak German long range guns, and in point of their destructive force they are incompar

able. Gun Requires Entire Train,

rhousands swarmed the shores and waters. Members of the crew said they lassoced a dozen and hauled them aboard for fresh meat.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Three American Saued personal statements during the ican Y. M. C. A. women have worked by the car, and construction, sand, timber, fire in the open frying 10,000 prepared for the debate which was extended for fresh meat. SNOW FALLS IN NEBRASKA Standard Steel Car Company, and the locomotives, 83-ton types with four day. Western Part of State Has Real pairs of drivers, were built by the Baldwin Locomotive Works. One car is a complete machine shop, equipped with LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 25 .- Reports to forge, lathes, grinders and drill presses. the weather office here today indicate The gun car as well as the ammunition snow fall is fairly general through cars are heavily armored, 1600 square feet of plate being required.

The gun car is convertible into (Concluded on Page 3, Column 4.)

ROUMANIA IS ENTERED BY FRENCH PATROLS

DANUBE RIVER CROSSED AND HUN FORCES WHIPPED.

War Office Reports That Artiller, Duels Have Occurred and Foc Monitor Is Damaged.

PARIS, Oct. 25 .- French patrols have crossed the Danube River and entered Roumania near Palanka, defeated German detachments and taken prisoners says the official report from the War Office tonight.

The report concerning these opera tions follows:

"On the Danube in the region of Lom Palanka there have been artillery duels. The fire of our batteries dam-

aged an enemy monitor.
"In the course of incursions on the north bank of the Danube French patrols have inflicted losses on German detachments and taken prisoners "Serbia: On the front of Paracin Karalievo allied forces continue in pur suit of the enemy, who is retreating to the north. Two hundred prisoners have been taken."

SIMPSON ILL IN CHICAGO

North Bend Resident Stricken With

Spanish Influenza. NORTH BEND, Or., Oct. 25 .- (Spe cial.)-Information has been received day when President Wilson issued a here that Louis J. Simpson, of this city, personal appeal to the voters of the who was recently called to Washing- United States to return a Democratic ton, D. C., to confer with officials of Congress.
the Government relative to war work The quotation "politics is adjourned" in this state, was stricken with Spanish influenza at Chicago en route home is reconvened" was heard in many and was removed to a hospital for quarters.

family here indicate his condition as serious but not alarming and that he to the November elections.

Mr. Simpson is a prominent citizen of the chairmen of the Senate and House Oregon. In the last state primary be Republican Congressional campaign was a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor and was de feated by Governor Withycombe.

U. S. GAS SHELLS DEADLY Masks of Latest Design Fall to Save

Germans. NEW YORK, Oct. 25 .- Gas shells prepared in America are more deadly than contends, is not the President's "per-any made in Germany and their fumes sonal war" nor the war of Congress, can penetrate even the most modern nor of a party, but of the American gas masks, Major H. W. Duffy, of the people, and declares "the Republican British-American gas service, declared party, representing more than half the

Major Duffy said he had observed hundreds of Germans, all of whom wore masks of the latest German design,

10,000 DOUGHNUTS A DAY Three Y. M. C. A. Women Work Un

der German Shell Fire.

The women are Mary Bray, Pawtucket, R. I.; Mary Holliday, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Edith Knowles, Phoenix

Munitions Manufacturers Told to Speed Up.

Western Massachusetts were told today which deserves support, by Major B. A. Franklin, U. S. A., production manager of the Bridgeport district, that they must speed up production, because a crisis exists which calls for unlimited exertion by both advocacy of peace at any price, for his manufacturers and employes.

INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS blindly support the President.

The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 56 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees, TODAY'S—Cleudy; possibly rain; southeast

War. British capture 9000 Huns. Page 1. United States has biggest cannon of all. Page 1. Italy starts drive. Page 1.

Prench advance in Olse-Serre region, Page 3, Americans gain slightly. Page 3, Rallan thrust closely watched. Page 4. toumania entered by French. Page 1. Foreign.

Allied prezs praises Wilson's diplomacy Page 5. Bolsheviki decree monopoly in girls of 18. Hundred killed in Croatian revolt at Fiums

itish navy more than doubled during war. Page 1. National. Republicans vigoronsiy resent Wilson's inter-vention in politics. Page 1. Wilson appeals to voters to return Demo-cratic Congress. Page 6.

Sports.

Coach Dewey signs with Lincoln High
Page 10. Shirking athletes find hard sledding. Page 10. pose a draft bill and would never say, Commercial and Marine.

Large part of Northwestern wool clip valued. Page 15. Unexpected boom strikes Pacific Coast hop script and a convict." Stock sales reduced by action on bank loans Page 15.

Portland and Vicinity. Oregon delegation supports war cause

Page 6.
Portland asked to contribute \$300,000 in war work campaign. Page 16. ty closing order is drawing tighter. Page 11 time survey shows shortage of homes.

WILSON AND G. O. P IN PARTISAN CLI

Executive Intervenes in November Election.

REPUBLICANS RESENT MOVE

War Not President's Personal Affair, Says Statement.

LOYAL SUPPORT RECALLED

Administration Policies Shown to Have Encountered No Strictly Party Opposition.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- The big parisan clash of the war period came to-

was immediately recalled and "politica

The President's appeal for a Demo-Telegraphic advices received by his cratic majority in each house seems certain to lend unprecedented interest Republicans at the capital issued a formal reply in the name of the party

leaders in the Senate and House and

The Republican statement, declaring hat the minority party in Congress has supported the Administration policies ince the war with a unanimity and an absence of criticism unprecedented in party history, pointed to the record as

The war, the Republican statement

sponsibilities it imposes." If given a majority in either or both houses, the leaders said, the Republican party would drive forward the war and hasten victory and would check the waste now going on of

money" given by the Nation. Lenders Prepare for Debate.

Several Senators and Representatives, both Republicans and Democrats, were especially manufactured by the a cable to the United States war work recess, and possibly in the House. The campaign headquarters announced to- statement issued by Republican leaders in Congress follows:

"Some time ago the President said 'politics is adjourned.' Now, in the closing days of the campaignby the united efforts of all parties for the liberty loan-now, when all public meetings have been given up, owing to CRISIS IN WAR ANNOUNCED the influenza epidemic, the President sends out a direct party appeal calling upon his countrymen to vote for Democrats because they are Democrats, without any reference to whether such BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. 25 .- Muni- demands have been or are in favor of tions manufacturers of Connecticut and war measures and have a war record

Ford Case Recalled.

"The voters of Michigan, to take a single example, are called upon to support Mr. Henry Ford-notorious for his ontemptuous allusions to the flag, for the exemption of his son from military service-on the sole ground that he will

"The President is quite ready to admit that Republicans are loyal enough to fight and die, as they are doing by the thousands; loyal enough to take up great loans and pay enormous taxes; loyal enough to furnish important men at no salary on some of the great war boards in Washington.

"But they are not loyal enough, in the President's opinion, to be trusted with any share in the Government of the

country or legislation for it. Things That Might Be Done.

"If the Republican party controls the louse we can point out some of the things they will do. They will replace Mr. Dent, of Alabams, at the head of military affairs committee with Germany awaits armistice terms before re-plying to Wilson. Page 2. istration was obliged to turn for assistance to take charge of and carry the first draft bill against Mr. Dent's

> "They will put a Republican at the head of the ways and means committee, as leader of the House, instead of Mr. Kitchin, of North Cafolina, who voted

> against the war. "They will give the country a Speaker who did not oppose and would never opas Speaker Clark did, that 'there is precious little difference between a con-

Votes Offered as Evidence.

"Although the Republicans of the House are in the minority, they cast more actual votes on seven great war measures than the Democratic majority

"What is the record of the Senate? On 51 rollcalls on war measures be-tween April 6, 1917, and May 29, 1918, head of Albers Brothers declares com-the votes cast by Republicans in favor iny patriolic. Page 16. f such measures were 72 per cent, while only 67 per cent of the votes cast Weather report, data and forecast. Page 15. (Concluded on Page 6, Column 3.)

IN THE TRENCHES.

