Cally Ninth Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1914

BEET SUGAR MANUFACTURERS OFFER TO ESTABLISH PLANT IF SUFFICIENT ACREAGE IS SECURED

SWEEP ACROSS

Germans Now Within Fifteen Miles of Warsaw-Czar Again at the Front in Trans-Caucasia, Where Russians Are Stemming Turkish Invasion.

LONDON, Dec. 11 .- The reported rout of the Austrian forces in Servia, the borders of which country of today indicate that the new atthey crossed triumphantly just two tempt of the allies to throw back the weeks ago, together with the steady Germans in Belgium has been check- powers at sea, with submarine boats advance of the German center in the ed and that in the region of Ypres the and submarine mines as minor esdirection of Warsaw on this, the third German invasion of Russian the oncoming forces, but in turn have Secretary Daniels before the house Poland, dominate the war news today. made an advance.

It is admitted unofficially in Petoccupation of Warsaw is seen in Flanders. Petrograd, where it is said that if the ture by the Germans should not be fice asserts that two German attacks more improved battleships than ever considered as important.

Czar at the Front

Emperor Nicholas is again at the front, having gope on this occasion to Trans-Caucasia, where his troops and accomplish Russia's historic aim of planting her flag on the Bosphorus. A Turkish report states that sity. an attempt of Russians to land troops on the shore of the Black sea near

Although conceding in effect the progress of the German center, the Russians, judging from dispatches reaching London, contend that the tide is running in their favor in the sanguinary fighting south of Cracow, combined Austro-German forces are endeavoring to move northward. They declare, moreover, that they are holding in check the German forces pushing down toward War-aw from East Prassia.

It would appear today that the Servian retirement before the Austrians some weeks ago was in reality a movement for strategic purposes. Their sharp return blow, if the Nish reports are to be accepted, has been extraordinarily effective.

After sustaining enormous losses the Austrians are being rapidly driven to the northwest, in the direction of their own borders.

Kaiser Improving

Emperor William is better, according to a report reaching here from Berlin, but he appears still to be confined to his room

The British admiralty remains silent concerning the reported German submarine raid on Dover yesterday morning, and the public today is speculating as to whether overzealous correspondents were not partly re-

sponsible for the episode. Indignation in Norway and Sweden against the seizure by Germany of vessels loaded with wood is growing. The menace of mines also is occupying the public attention, and on this latter point appeals are being made to Berlin.

LIST OF STOCKS OPEN FOR TRADING

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 .- The New York Stock Exchange today made public a list of unrestricted and restricted stocks, together with minimum prices in the case of restricted stocks, in which trading will be per mitted on the floor of the stock exchange beginning tomorrow.

permitted for two weeks.

KAISER'S FORCES ALLIES EFFORTS DREADNAUGHTS TO ADVANCE AT RUSSIAN POLAND YPRES REPULSED

New Attempt to Force Germans Back in Belgium Fails-Instead, Kaiser's Troops Advance-Fighting in Argonne Subject of Conflicting Claims -Each Asserts Success.

LONDON, Dec. 11.-Both the German and French official statements Germans have not only hurled back sentials, was emphasized today by

The Paris announcement states rograd today that German troops are that several German attacks were United States, the battleships would sweeping across Russian Poland and made, and that three of them were first be relied upon and then would are now about fifteen miles from completely repulsed. It is admitted Warsaw. The army of General Mac- here that at one point the Germans Kenzen apparently is striking for succeeded in reaching one of the first ward rapidly, although it is said that line trenches of the allies. Elsewhere strated the wisdom of the naval prothe other invading armies to the north in Flanders continued progress is re- gram outlined for this session of conand south are making little, if any, ported. The German statement mereprogress. The possibility of German ly says that gains have been made in

Russians should withdraw from the continues to be the subject of con- seas. We have today," said Secretary city for strategic reasons, its cap- flicting claims. The French war of- Daniels, "more and larger speedier, there were repulsed and that the al- before, with a greater tonnage than lies have pushed forward several ever before. We have more guns, trenches. Berlin reports having ad- much larger and better, with greater vanced east and west of the Argonne range than ever before and far greatforest. Each statement, moreover, er destructive power. Undoubtedly are seeking to thrust back the Turks tells of advantages won in the artil- we have more complete auxiliary lery encounter, which apparently is craft, submarines, torpedo boats and Nish, Servia, under date of December by a Mexican bullet from the battleproceeding with undiminished inten-

The French Report

official statement given out in Paris equipped than in all the history of Batum was repulsed with heavy loss official statement given the enemy the country." was active in the vicinity of Ypres. The naval strength in the Pacific Kasjerice, Pouljen, Valjevo and Raz-Three of his attacks were repulsed, was taken up. Secretary Daniels tes- arevatz. The retreat of the Ausbut one of the important trenches was tiffed there were no dreadnoughts reached by the forces of Emperor there and the Oregon, now being put ed only in the vicinity of Valjevo and William. Nevertheless, French troops continue to make progress in the di- twenty years old, was the only batrection of the enemy's lines, accord- tleships there. He told of the cruising to the official report.

Artillery engagements are reported there. in the region of Arras and in the Vosges, as well as in the vicinity of Meuse. In the Argonne the French ed Representative Stephens of Caliadvanced several of their trenches, The text of the communication fol-

"The enemy vesterday showed r Ypres. He directed several attacks The secretary replied that one of the bave arrived at Nish. against our lines, three of which were completely repulsed. At one single point on the front the Germans succeeded in reaching one of our first line trenches. On our side we continued to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines.

Artillery Engagement

"In the region of Arras and vicinity of Juvincourt there have been artillery engagements.

"In the Argonne we have pushed forward several of our trenches and driven back two German attacks.

"In the region of Varennes we have consolidated our gains of the preceding days. The German artillery has been very active, but we have suffered no losses. A similar condition has existed on the heights of the Meuse. In the forest of Lepretre our progress has been continued and has

"To the south of Thann we have occupied the railroad station of As-

"Along the remainder of the front in the Vosges there have been artillery engagements."

MAYTORENA TOLD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.-Provisional President Gutierrez has ordered Governor Maytorena, commanding his This is the first time that stocks forces at Naco, to avoid operations will have been traded in on the floor altogether, if he cannot confine his of the stock exchange for more than fire within Mexican borders. Consulfour months, or since July 30 last, Silliman at Mexico City reported the when the exchange was closed be- provisional president's action today, cause of the European war situation. which undoubtedly was in response Restricted trading in bonds has been to yesterday's urgent representations from Washington.

COMMAND SEAS

Secretary Daniels Declares Battleships Still Main Reliance in Case of Attack With Submarines and Mines Second-Defenses of Nation Much Superior Than Before in History.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.-The dominating necessity of dreaduaughts to maintain the strength of the great naval committee. He declared thant if a foreign foe came to attack the come the submarines and mines.

Mr. Daniels reiterated that the European war so far had demon-

Battleships a Necessity

"Battleships," he said "are the only The fighting in the Argonne region ships we can rely on to command the defense, more men than ever before of recent military operations: and the men are more efficient, bet-

> again in commission and more than Oujitzee, but here their stand was ers, gunbeats and torpedo flotillas

Pacific Coast Helpless

"Do you regard the Pacific coast Varennes and on the heights of the defenses as adequate for war?" ask- two cannon and much war material. fornia.

"Oh, no."

purposes of building the Panama canal was to enable the dispatch of war vessels through it.

"You can get the fleet through the canal very easily, which greatly increases the value of our navy," he

"Don't you think an enemy could deliver a very severe blow to the Pacific coast before we could get ships from the Atlantic?"

"An enemy," replied the secretary, "would have to run the gauntlet of our submarines in the Philippines and Hawaii and then be obstructed by the vessels now on the Pacific long enough for the stronger fleet to ar-

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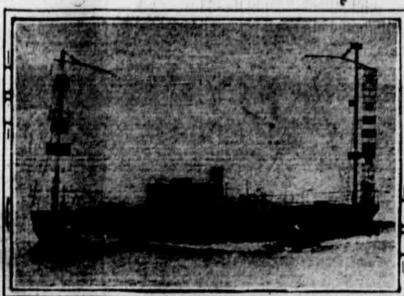
AUSTRIA REPORTS RUSSIAN REPULSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.-Continuation of the offensive in west Galicia and successful repulse of Russian attacks southeast of Lodz, near Piotrkow were reported today to the Austro-Hungarian embassy from Vi-

The dispatch, which made no mention of the campaign in Servia, con-

"In West Galicia our attacks are continuing interruptedly. Hostile attacks in the neighborhood of Piotrkow have failed. The tenacity of the Austro-Hungarian-German offensive continues. Our troops alone captured last week 2800 Russians. Perfect cooperation of the allied (German and Austro-Hungarian) troops

RADIO CONTROLLED LAUNCH MAY ADD TO THE COUNTRY'S DEFENCES TOO MUCH TALK SUGAR MAKERS



A radical change in coast defence methods and possibly & fleet torpede work may result from the extraordinary invention developed by Mr. John Hays Hammond, Jr., by which a vessel can be controlled from shore by means of radio waves. Army officers have recently witnessed a demonstration of Mr. Hammond's invention at Gioncester, Mass., and have returned to Washington enthusiastic about it. They stood on the shore with Mr. Hammond while be sent his 54-foot gasdiene launch, the Natalle, two or three miles out at sea, guiding it to any spot the officers indicated merely by the use of the radio waves. It is believed that the apparatus could be used to control a specially developed surface torocdo so that an enemy's war altips could be threatened from shore for a distance of several miles. A morough discussion of this new invention is expected this winter in Congress.

AUSTRIANS RETREAT MEXICAN BULLET FROM SERVIA IN GREAT DISORDER

PARIS, Dec. 11.—The corremore submarines, much better coast 10, transmits the following account

"Valjevo-After dispersing the PARIS, Dec. 11, 2:40 p. m.—The ter educated and more completely Austrians December 8, the Servians continued in pursuit of their enemy and forced them beyond Onjitzee, trians was precipitated. They resistquickly broken and Servians occupied the two towns mentioned.

"During the day of December 8 the Servians took Austrian prisoners to which it is presumed will be sent by the number of twenty-eight officers mail. and 2237 men; they also captured

"Heavy fighting has occurred also to the north of Kosmaj and Parovnitza, where counter-attacks deliver-Mr. Stephens asked if with no war ed by the Servians resulted in heavy craft of any importance on the Pa- Austrian losses. The Austrians fled certain activity in the region of cific the secretary would feel safe. in disorder. Thousands of prisoners

BUYS XMAS TOYS AND KILLS CHILD RUSSIA DECLINES

REDDING, Cal., Dec. 11.-After spending the morning buying Christmas toys for Bonita, her little girl of nine years, Mrs. James W. Burke, wife of a planing mill foreman at Weed, returned to a hotel today and still lives, though probably mortally wounded.

"I've been planning this for a ong time," was all the explanation Mrs. Burke would give. She came willing to agree to a Christmas trace, here last night from Weed on a shop- provided the other nations at war

JEFFERSON COUNTY CREATED AT ELECTION

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 11 .- Secretary alvices from the county clerk of Crook county, saying the official canvass showed that the measure to Jefferson, out of a portion of Crook the United States," and launched a county, hal carried. After the recent movement for a change in the method election the count was held up by injunction proceedings. Under the Oregon law, the governor will name a county commission, which in turn Dr. S. Mathews of Chicago were sewill appoint officers and designate a temporary county seat until the next general elegtion.

WOUNDS ANOTHER AMERICAN TROOPER

NACO, Arizona, Dec. 11 .- Another tent of a United States army officer.

Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, who came here yesterday to take command of the American forces on tual hostilities with the armed Mexican factions across the boundary would not be necessary, but that the Washington government was not bluffing. General Bliss was instructed to come here and await orders,

No warnings have been issued to Governor Maytorena and Governor Hill, the opposing leaders whose men have been firing indiscriminately across the international boundary. So far as General Bliss knows none known to be contemplated.

The wounding of the United States soldier today brings the total casualty list on the American side up

CHRISTMAS TRUCE

BERLIN, Dec. 11, by wireless .-The proposal of Pope Benedict of a revolver against her own breast, but the Christmas holidays is said by the the bullet missed her heart and she official press bureau today to have been declined by Russia.

> The German press bureau previously announced that Germany was gave their assent.

SEEK FRIENDSHIP OF JAPANESE PEOPLE

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 11.-The of State Ben W. Olcott today received federal conneil of churches of America adopted a peace message today to be transmitted to Japan "for the purpose of welding the friendship becreate a new county, to be known as tween the Japanese and the people of of teaching history in the schools to minimize the glory of war.

Dr. Sidney L. Guliek of Japan and leeted to convey the "message of 12,000,000 Christians to our beloved brethren in Japan."

Senator Weeks of Massachusetts Op- Mass Meeting of Farmers and Fruitposes Agitation for Special Investigation of Military Preparedness as Harmful-Says Too Much Publicity by Notoriety Seekers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 -- Declaring that there has been too much publicity of military afafirs of the nation, Senator Weeks of Massachusetts in a speech in the senate today manufacturers, outlined the terms unopposed agitation for special investigation of military preparedness, praised the strength and personnel of the navy and urged the organization of an army reserve.

"Anyone may learn about our miliary or naval establishment by read- f. o. b. railroad track or \$5 f. o. b. ing the reports of the secretaries of the departments and the reports of those who are conducting the different bureaus and branches of the service," said the senator. "It is an open book to all our citizens and there need be no doubt about our relative position or our capabilitiesif one is disposed to study reports instead of seeking notoriety in the

Too Much Publicity

"In fact, there is, and has been, altogether too much publicity in such matters, in my judgment. We have had a demonstration during the spondent of the Havas Agency at American trooper was wounded today of secrecy in conducting military operations, and there is no reason ground of Naco, Schora. A second why we should spread broadcast what bullet perforated a stovepipe in the we are doing or what preparations we have made.

"I have no doubt every European country is informed in the most minute detail of our condition both on border duty said today he hoped ac-tual hostilities with the armed Mexinot be in the direction of greater publicity, but should be to protect our operations even in time of peace from scrutiny both at home and abroad."

While expressing the hope that the European war would be the last war and that nations would "see the folly of maintaining such great ropean countries have done and that general agreement may be made which will provide for at least a parmaintained it was the part of wisdom, to consider what course to follow in case such a result should not come.

No Change in Policy "At this time," he continued, "it does not seem to me that it is wise naval equipment except by an omnibus appropriation which can be ex-

and France and probably second only duced. to that of Great Britain." Senator Weeks maintained that shot her dead. Then she turned the truce by the warring nations during the army was insufficient and proposed its re-organization not for the purpose of iscreasing the permanent perintendent, who directs the entire of a reserve corps which would make

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400,000 FRENCH BOYS TRAINING

PARIS, Dec. 11, 5 p. m .- Four hundred thousands youths of 19 and 20 years, forming the class of 1915. went into training today in military instruction camps and barracks throughout France. Having had preliminary drills at home, they will be time. The president wants to withready for the spring campaign. Car- draw the troops and will communidinal Amette celebrated mass for sev- cate further with the governor. eral thousand of these young men here today at the Church of Notre ed Mineworkers of America had ar-Dame Des Victoires. He closed the ranged to transport to other con service with this admonition: in courage and in confidence."

Services of prayer for the soldiers in the field are being held daily in churches throughout France.

growers Hear Plans Outlined by Manufacturers-Will Pay \$4.50 per Ton f. o. b. Cars, or \$5 Per Ton f. o. b. Plant, for Five Years.

At a mass meeting of farmers and fruit growers held Friday afternoon at the Natatorium, F. S. Bramwell, representing Utah and eastern sugar der which his company will construct a beet sugar factory in Medford.

Five thousand acres for sugar beet cultivation are desired. The company binds itself for five years to purchase all the beets grown at \$4.50 plant. The plant will involve an investment exceeding \$600,000.

Thursday evening a similar proposal was made to Grants Pass people, and earlier in the week to Salem and to Independence, both of which communities are under serious consideration.

Support Promised

Enthusiastic support was evidenced at the Natatorium Friday, over 250 landowners, fruitgrowers, farmers and business men being in attendance. Every section of the valley, including Ashland, Talent and Phoenix, being well represented. W. H. Gore. president of the Medford National bank, and one of the largest land-

owners in the valley, presided. The proposition of the beet sugar interests was explained by their representatives, F. S. Bramwell and Charles W. Nibley, the latter mentioned in the day's news dispatches as one of the heads of great sugar interests controlled by the Mormon

The spirit of the meeting was that the Rogue River valley needs new industries and diversified resources, and that now was the accepted time

Inspection of Valley

The beet sugar representatives, g ?companied by J. T. Sullivan, spent Thursday inspecting conditions at military establishments as great Eu- Grants Pass with the view of securing acreage in that district.

The beet sugar industry is one of the most intensive agricultural industial disarmament." Senator Weeks tries yet promulgated. Carried to a successful conclusion, it requires the highest kind of cultivation and economies entirely new to the western far-

Five thousand acres of sugar beets means approximately 2,000,000 tons or prudent to take any action which of gross products to be marketed. The will change our policy or add to our transportation of this immense crop is only a minor part of its production. At least \$30 per acre is the pended under the direction of the lowest cost of seeding, thinning and general board of the navy and the cultivating. According to conditions president. Our naval establishment of soil and cultivation, from fifteen is in a class with that of Germany to thirty tons per aere can be pro-

Expert Directs nork

The business of cultivation, thinning and harvesting is conducted by the factory through an expert suactive army, but for the organization work. The factory procures the seed directs the work of -lanting, cultivation and barvesting.

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AMMONS WANTS TROOPS TO STAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11 .- President Wilson today received a telegram from Governor Ammons of Colorado, saying he did not think it advisable to withdraw all the federal troops from the strike districts at this

Farley Wilson said today the Unitfields those former strikers unable to get work in Colorado and that the refusal of the Colorado coal operators to re-employ many of those men would not cause trouble.