HAIG PUSHES ON THROUGH SLIME FOR GOOD GAIN

British Deliver Another Blow on Front Where They Have Recently Gained Five Miles From the Germans.

GIVES TEUTONS NO REST

London Believes Realization of Important Objective Is Near or Attack Would Have Been Delayed.

By the Associated Press.

British Front in France and Belgium, Oct. 13.—At an early hour today Brit-ish troops, which began an attack in Flanders this morning, had penetrated several hundred yards into the enemy's territory on a six-nille front from near Houtholst wood to a point below the Ypres-Roulers railway and were bat-tling along the Passchendaele ridge, within 1,000 yards of the center of the village of Passchendaele

Knew It Was Coming. By 7:45 o'clock this morning reports were received that everything was going well with today's attack. The troops along a wide front had pushed forward to a depth averaging 800 yards or more.

Prisoners were beginning to come in early, although slowly, owing to the condition of the field.

Indications are that the Germans early were aware that trouble was impending, as about 4 a. m. a large number of gas shells were fired by them along the British front.

The main enemy today was not the Germans, but the mud. The Germans were far less formidable than previously, owing to the disorganization occasioned among them by the recent terrific blows of the British.

The British steam roller "goes up hill very slowly, but it is now going down hill and battles are following each other more and more rapidly," said Major General Maurice, director of operations at the British war office, yesterday. The truth of this assertion was driven home less than 24 hours after it was made by the beginning this morning of another British attack in Flanders. Only three days had elapsed since the last attack, made on Tuesday. Tuesday's push was launched after a Tuesday's push was launched after a four-day pause, the last previous drive having been carried out the preceding Thursday. Previously intervals of a week or more had elapsed between the British attacks.

Good Progress Reported. Good progress was reported early by Field Marshal Haig along the six-mile front northeast of Ypres, on which to-day's assault is being delivered. Appar-ently the objective is the remainder of the ridge commanding the Flanders plain, over the dominant points of which the British have already passed and are driving downward. and are driving downward.

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Another notable fact in connection with the present series of drives is that each is now apparently being made regardless of weather conditions. One good day for airplane observations was enough for the British in this instance to get their ranges, launch their drum fire, drop their barrage and push to the stack through the mud and renewed rainfall.

No Good Weather Due.

Military observers in this connection credit the British high command with the belief that it is probably of little use to wait for good weather at this time of the year in Flanders. Another consideration pointed to is the reported weakening state of the German morale.

an opportunity to be seized with all possible promptitude if the utmost advantage is to be taken of it.

There is no indication that the French forces on the British left, which pushed forward approximately a mile to the edge of the Houtholst wood in to the edge of the Houtholst wood in Tuesday's attack, are participating in today's advance. Their task for the moseems to have been completed by ment seems to have been completed by the bringing up of their line to a point where efficient protection would be given the British left flank in the re-newal of the wedge driving process be-ing carried out between Passchendaele

Paris, Oct. 13 .- "The night was marked by great activity of the artillery and by a series of German efforts at various points on the front, says today's official statement. "West of Cerny we repulsed an enemy attack, while a detailed operation carried out by us north of Noisy farm, enabled us to bring back prisoners. An enemy surprise attack west of Maisons De Cham-pagne and three German efforts in the region of Auberive and Souain came to

"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front), artillery fighting con-tinues in the region of Bezonvaux."

London, Oct. 13.-British troops started on another great offensive to-day over the slime and mud of Fland-

"Northwest of Ypres we attacked on a front of six miles at 5:20 this morning," the commander in chief reports

There was rain during the night. The

pressure of the third great offensive in eight days is against the same German lines which Haig has already battered back for more than five miles.

The British attackers are finding new German defenses much easier to than the old trench defenses as the Teutons yield much more quick-

ly now than they did before.

The highest hopes were raised early today by the news of this offensive. London realizes the great obstacles the British troops are encountering because of the weather and the ground the troops must move over, but they believe Haig is near the attainment of some much desired objective, else he would not follow recent offensives so closely and in such weather. closely and in such weather.

London, Oct. 13.—Maj. Gen. Frederick B. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the war office, in his weekly talk with the Associated Press, after an optimistic review of the last week's work on the British front in Flanders, said:

Urges America Hurry.

URGES SACRIFICE TO

Cardinal Gibbons Subscribes to Limit as Example, He Tells Committee.

Washington, Oct. 13.-Subscriptions should be made to the second Liberty loan, even though personal sacrifices are involved, Cardinal Gibbons declared in a letter to the Maryland Liberty loan committee.

"With the sincerest wishes for the

loan's oversubscription in order to be of some help to the government and to encourage others by example, I am sub-scribing to the extent of my limited means," he wrote.

in the greatest possible numbers has not been diminished.

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"The word 'steam roller,' which was so often used in the early days of the war in connection with the Russian army, is exactly the right word to characterize the British advance in Flanders. It is an advance not rapid, but insistent, irresistable.

German Reports Untrue.

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"I want to say a word about the work which has been done behind our lines I don't wish to minimize the U-boat threat, but I can truthfully say that nothing the U-boats have done has delayed for a single hour our work in France; it has not delayed a single round of ammunition or a ration for the soldiers. The British army was never better fed or supplied than today."

Commenting on the German report

Commenting on the German report that the British had lost 500,000 men in the present series of battles, General Maurice said:

"The figures are grotesque. We have not had that many men engaged. As I have already told you, our casualties have been very light and the German casualties are known to have been 35

RAILROADS ASK LOAN FROM U.S.?

Rate Increase to Be Sought and Effort May Be Made to Borrow Federal Funds, Discussion Indicates.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13 .- Reports that the railroads are considering informally asking the government to help them in some way to obtain money with which to maintain and enlarge their present plants and equipment to enable them to cope with the high tide of traffic are regarded by officials here as forecasting a concerted move soon toward that end.

What form this move will assume

What form this move will assume apparently has not yet been decided by the roads themselves. It is reported that they have under consideration several courses. One possible method is renewed petition for a general increase in freight rates. Another is to request the government to lend the railroad money on railroad securities. For this, however, special legislation would be necessary. Other plans, details of which have not been revealed, are said to be under consideration. Railroads at present are earning very nearly as much as last year, which marked the high tide, but within the last two months operating expenses have shown increase said to be out of all proportion to the increase in gross

all proportion to the increase in gross receipts. Railway executives say that as the government has a practical monopoly through Liberty bond issues of the investment funds of the country, they have found it almost impossi-ble to obtain funds.

New York, Oct. 13-Coincidental with the announcement yesterday that pas senger trainmen on western railways would shortly present demands for in-creased wages, executives of eastern trunk lines arranged to meet in New York today and discuss plans for mak-ing another plea to the Interstate Commerce commission for higher freight rates. The new demands of the railway brotherhoods for more pay will be a factor in the road's petition, it was

The eastern railroads hope, it is said, that the western and southern roads will also renew pleas for higher rates. Ordinarily, applications for rate increases are presented separately by the three districts, but in the last case all roads joined in the petition for an increase of 15 per cent in freight rates. The Interstate Commerce commission, in interstate Commerce commission, in its finding last June, refused the increase asked, but granted increases of approximately 5 per cent of the gross revenue of the carriers.

FARMERS HOARD SPUDS: WARNED TO DISGORGE

Chicage, Oct. 12.—The farmer, immune to the anti-hoarding law, is hoarding his potatoes, according to Harry A. Wheeler, food director of Illinois under Mr. Hoover

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Mr. Wheeler issued a warning that, Mr. Wheeler issued a warning that, as the crop was the greatest on record, not mentioning the unrecorded crops of tens of thousands of gardens, the farmers were riding to a fall. He said that when the hoard began to disgorge it would all come at once, unless the hoarding was stopped, and prices would drop to zero. He suggested that the farmer want benefit by allowing the movement to follow its normal course.

STUDENTS ASK PROFESSOR BE GIVEN BACK PLACE

New York, Oct. 13.—Trustees and faculty of Columbia university were petitioned to effect a readjustment of the controversy which will result in Prof. Chas. A. Beard resuming his serv-ices as member of the faculty at a meeting of 709 underclass men of the ollege today. Professor Beard resigned Monday

The trustees last week declared va-cant professorships held by James McKeen Cattell and Henry W. L. Dana because of their pacifist activities.

AIRPLANE POOL APPROVED. Washington, Oct. 12.-Legal approval "We have every right to be confident when we see what our men have done. But the fighting is hard and we do not think that the present series of battles in Flanders is going to end the war. There is a great deal more hard fighting before us. I would say that the importance of getting the American troops here as quickly as possible and troops here as quickly as possible and troops here as quickly as possible and the Sherman anti-trust law.

SELECTED MEN MAY BUY LIBERTY BONDS CAST VOTES THIS FALL

Although in Federal Service National Army Troopers Are Given Franchise.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 13.—Notice was received today by Maj. Gen. Henry P. Allen, commanding the Nineteenth division, national army, that the men recently recruited under the selective conscription law will, although now in the federal service, be permitted to vote in the November elections of their representative estates. spective states.

MAYO AND STAFF **HOME FROM ENGLAND**

Atlantic Fleet Chief Returns From Allied Naval Conference and Visit to Fleet.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Admiral Mayo, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, and his staff, have returned from England, where they participated in a naval conference with the allies. This announcement was authorized today by the navy department. He also visited the American naval contingents in Eu-

ropean waters.

The fact that Admiral Mayo had been sent to England was disclosed to the press at the time of his departure with the request of the government not to mention the trip. Except in one or two instance the request was generally car-

CALL LA FOLLETTE IN SEDITION PROBE

Senator Said to Have Made Disloyal Speech Will Be Asked About Lusitania Statement.

Washington D. C., Oct. 13.—Senaor LaFollette, of Wisconsin, today was invited by the Senate committee investigating his alleged disloyal speech at St. Paul to appear next Tuesday before the committee for a hearing regarding assertions in his address.

Settle Lusitania Dispute. The hearings probably will be public and will be confined to the statement of facts in the speech, particularly regarding Mr. LaFollette's statement tha garding Mr. LaFollette's statement that former Secretary Bryan appealed to President Wilson to keep passengers off the Lusitania because of ammunition alleged to be in her cargo. The committee advised the senator that its investigating authority does not extend to his right to make the Nonpartisan league speech, nor into the motives of his critics, it has not been determined whether Mr. Bryan will be asked to appear.

CHINESE MOHAMMEDANS LOYAL, HE TELLS WILSON

Correspondence of Associated Press.
Peking, Oct. 13.—Abu Bekr, the leading Mohammedan priest of North China, has prepared a letter to President Wilson on behalf of the Chinese Mohammedans, assuring him of the loyalty of the Chinese Mohammedans to the cause of the allies and denouncing the action of the German emperor, the sultan of Turkey and other leaders.
The Mohammedan priest urges President Wilson to advise China, and enable it to settle its domestic difficulties and bring harmony and comfort

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APPEALS FOR BARGES

Winona, Minn., Oct. 12.—An appeal to the federal shipping board to build, sell or lease upon the installment plan, a large fleet of river barges to enable a large fleet of river barges to enable the Mississippi river to take its place as America's greatest water highway, was voiced at the closing session of the 16th annual convention of the Up-per Mississippi River Improvement as-

sociation today. The establishment of a line of light draff barges, provided with powerful towboats along the German plan, is

KANSAS OPPONENTS OF DRAFT INDICTED

Leavenworth, Kan., Oct. 13.—Indictments charging conspiracy to violate the selective draft law against Raymond I. Moore, his wife, Lenora Warneson Moore, of Kansas City; Dr. Eva Harding, Ike Gilberg and Ernest Newman, of Topeka, Kan., and George Kleighe, of Fort Scott, Kan., were returned today by a federal grand jury. The indictments returned were the result of an anti-conscription meeting sult of an anti-conscription meeting held on May 27, 1917, in Topeka. Dr. Harding was a candidate for congress. Mr. Moore formerly was a public school teacher.

FRENCH PAPER DESIRES WILSON VISIT EUROPE

Paris, Oct. 13.—The suggestion that President Wilson visit Europe is made by the Information in its leading editorial today. It says the allies need the president's counsel, that his influence would be powerful in establishing unity in regard to democratic ideals, and that such a visit would be of advantage also to America.

GERMAN OFFICIALS IN U. S A Pacific Port, Oct. 12.—Dr. A. von Rosthorn, former minister plenipoten-tiary from Austria-Hungary to China, accompanied by 28 Austrian and 34 Ger-man consular and legation officials have landed from the Dutch steamer Oranje. The party carries safe conduct from the entente allies, but federal agents nevertheless made a long and painstaking search of the baggage, letters and documents of the members before allowing them to come ashore.

HERBERT M. YOUNG DIES.
Chicago, Oct. 12.—Herbert M. Young, a newspaper man known in many cities of the country, died today of heart disease, aged 49 years. He was a director of the Scripps McRae league of newspapers from 1882 to 1900, also serving with the St. Louis Chronicle and Cleveland Press during those years. In 1900 are engaged in business in New York. He will be buried Saturday at Keokuk.

GERMAN MUTINY SAVES RUSSIANS

Dissatisfaction, Said to Have Begun Eight Months Ago, Prevents Use of Fleet.

London, Oct. 12 .- The inactivity of the German fleet in the Baltic sea recently, when there were obvious opportunities for attacking Russia, according to a dispatch to the Daily cording to a dispatch to the Dally Chronicle from Amsterdam, was due to the mutinous outbreak in the German navy. The outbreak affected at least, six important units of the fleet, putting them out of action and causing the authorities to doubt discipline of the crews of the other ships. It was impossible, the dispatch adds, to take stern measures on a large scale against the offenders, because that would have increased the evil.

DISCONTENT BEGAN LAST YEAR.

Amsterdam, Oct. 11.—According to some reports here the discontent in the German navy began eight months ago and the men of the fleet had reached such a nervous state, owing to the prolonged high tension, that only a spark was needed to cause an explosion on board the warships involved. It is said large numbers of jamphiets were found dealing with the cause of the war and asking why Germany became the most hated nation in the world. Others dilated on the vile influence of junkerdom and the big manufacturing interests and purported to give the truth about "the man behind the war."

Fairly reliable accounts put the number of men condemned to penal servitude at 30, whose sentences range from five to 15 years, while 80 to 100 were given lighter sentences DISCONTENT BEGAN LAST YEAR

five to 15 years, while 80 to 100 were given lighter sentences.

MEDALS GIVEN FOR VANDALISM

German Soldier Writes of Difficulties of Taking Wedding Presents From French Women.

By United Press. With the French Army in the Field, Oct. 12.-Documents recently taken from German prisoners indicate that the famous iron cross, over 2,000,000 of which have been distributed by the kaiser since the beginning of the war, is given now not only for acts of bravery but also for exceptional ability in destroying French villages, homes and farms.

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In a letter from a German landwehr, Fred Saer, to another German soldier named Silkenhause, of the Fifty-ninth regiment, published today, Saer speaks of getting one of the coveted prizes for having taken from an aged French woman her household belongings. He was certain he would get the reward.

The letter also said:

"I am attached to the ammunition branch of the army. We take all iron, lead, copper, cork, oils, etc., that we find in the homes of the French. We take chandeliers and kitchen utensils. Everything is assembled here and sent into Germany. Often it is very difficult to have to take from married women their wedding presents, but the necessities of war force us."

LACK OF DISCIPLINE STILL WEAKENS RUSS

FOR USE ON RIVER Evil Influences Busy But Petrograd Says Fraternizing Attempts Are Repelled.

> Petrograd. Oct. 12.-Austro-German troops are renewing their attempts to fraternize with the Russians, but so far every effort has met with failure, according to a statement issued by the Russian war office based on reports from the front. The general situation is quiet, although some of the armies as well as some of the Cossack units, still act with some suspicion toward the commanding staff. The question of peace is said to agitate the great mass of the Russian soldiers. At some places there is agitation against capital punishment, but at the

> against capital punishment, but at the same time demands are made that punishment in the rear of the fighting front be enforced with greater strictness. The cases where orders were discussed or not carried out are comparatively rare, the soldiers who refuse to obey orders usually being brought to trial

The war officer announces with regret that the evil influence of the gendarmes and police still asserts itself. So far no measures have been taken to isolate these elements. Complaints of want of discipline among new recruits are still numerous.

FINDS CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT RED CROSS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 12.-Declaring that efforts to disparage the work of the American Red Cross are made in various sections of the country as in various sections of the country as part of an anti-patriotic propaganda, Harvey D. Wilson, general manager, to-day telegraphed all Red Cross division managers to begin nationwide investition to trace the movement to its course and to combat it.

"It is evident that rumors, inmendos, critical of and calculated to embarrass the Red Cross are being industrially circulated as part of an anti-patriotic propaganda," the telegram reads.

RAIDER FOOLS BRITISH AS LUMBER CARRIER

Honolulu, T. H., Oct. 12.-Graphic details of how the famous German com-merce raider Seeadier, which preyed on allied commerce seven months in the allied commerce seven months in the south Pacific before meeting her fate on the reefs of Mopesa island, passed inspection of a British cruiser by assuming the disguise of a lumber carrier, were revealed here today by Capt. Pador Smith, master of the American schooner R. C. Slade, one of the three known victims of the German craft.

SMALL SHIPS, TOO, TAKEN OVER BY U. S.

Boats of 1,500 Tons as Well as Larger Ones Will Be Commandeered Monday.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—In its requisitioning of ships October 15, the shipping board is considering taking over all American vessels of more than 1,500 tons dead weight capacity instead of 2,500 tons, as at first announced. The great need of trans-Atlantic ton-nage, it was said today, has made this

nage, it was said today, has made this step necessary.

American ships of more than 1,500 tons capacity available for ocean service number 458, aggregating 2,871,359 tons dead weight. Most of the smaller vessels to be requisitioned will be put into peaceful trades. Many will ply between the United States and South American and West Indian ports, maintaining trades which the government considers essential. considers essential.

Visits Sophia When Ferdinand Demands Peace, Report at Amsterdam Says.

By United Press.

Amsterdam, Oct. 13.-Reports that the German kaiser is in Sofia, Bulgaria, have aroused much speculation here. Rumors have reached here that the king of Bulgaria is demanding peace.

FRANK GOTCH ILL IN CHICAGO HOSPITAL

Former Champion Wrestler Is Stricken While on Way to Arkansas Health Resort.

Chicago, Oct. 13 .- Frank Gotch for Chicago, Oct. 13.—Frank Gotch for years world's champlon wrestler, is seriously ill in this city. Gotch, accompanied by Mrs. Gotch, arrived here yesterday from their home at Humboldt, Ia., on their way to Hot Springs, Ark. He became suddenly ill and went to the German hospital. It was said that he was suffering from an obscure kidney ailment.

GERMER DENIES DRAFT CONSPIRACY, SEDITION

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 12.—Attorneys for Adolph Germer, socialist leader of Chicago, and 11 other persons charged with conspiracy against the selective draft law, today opened the defense at the trial in United States district court here.

trict court here.

The defense hopes to submit evidence to sustain its contention that the defendants did not effect a conspiracy to oppose the draft and that no treasonable or disloyal literature was circulated by them

HUNDREDS OF RED CROSS

Petrograd, Oct. 12.—General Jan-covoso, Rumanian war minister, called today on the American ambassador, David R. Francis, and explained the situation in Rumania, thanking him for American aid.
"One American Red Cross mission

has arrived at our front, but that is only a small part of what we need. There is little cholera or other disease among our armies and people now, but spring may bring more. Hundreds of American relief workers will be needed them. We are obtaining medicines from Japan, but lack funds which American could supply."

GIBBONS WRITES WILSON ABOUT HIS NEW PLACE

Washington, D. C., Oct. 12.—Cardinal Gibbons wrote President Wilson in a letter made public here today, that he is trying to "pursuade all Americans that they can do the greatest good to themselves and their country by cheer ful preformance of their duty as it is ful preformance of their duty as it is pointed out to them by lawfully constituted authority," The letter was written on the occasion of the recent formation of the League for National Unity, of which Cardinal Gibbons is honorary chairman.

President Wilson in reply thanked the cardinal for accepting the chairmanship of the league

ship of the league.

NEW ARMY OFFICERS WILL BE FOOT DOCTORS

Fort Snelling, Minn., Oct. 12.—In accordance with orders from the war department, students and officers of all training camps will be given instruction in shoe fitting, the care of the feet and minor orthopedic treatment, it was appropried today. Hereafter no man announced today. Hereafter, no man will be discharged from the army because of foot ailments, until orthopedic treatment has been given, the order recites

IN TRAINING 431,180 MEN. Washington, Oct. 12.—The number of men in America's new national army either actually under training or ordered to the 16 cantonments through-

ordered to the 16 cantonments through-out the country totals 431,180.

In making public the figures Secre-tary Baker said that the shipments of clothing to the camps is keeping pace with the arrival of the new troops. Up to October 2, the day before the vecond increment of draft men was or-dered out, nearly 13,000,000 articles of wearing apparel and sleeping equip-ment had been sent to the cantonments and shipments are being made aidly. and shipments are being made aidly.

SNOW FALLS IN OHIO.

Toledo, Ohio, Oct. 12.—A fall of snow is in progress today in northwestern Ohio and northeastern Indiana. Rain, which fell throughout the night, turned into snow early this morning, and in an hour the ground was covered with a coat of white. Fort Wayne and Sandusky also reported snow.

CITIES PREPARE TO SEIZE COAL; WINTERAR

"Near" Blizzard Hits Ohio When Bins Are Empty, Street Cars Stopping and Schools Closing.

GARFIELD CHANGES ORDER

Capper Writes That Retailers Take Concerted Action in Advancing Prices and Ignore Federal Action.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 13.—The first snowfall of the season struck Cleveland today in the form of a small blizzard. Heavy snowfalls are reported from adjoining counties.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 13.-Mayors throughout Ohio today were preparing to seize coal to prevent suffering which is becoming widespread. The demands for coal are pouring in on the governor, public utilities commission and the state coal clearing house.

University May Close. Ohio State university officials reported that unless coal can be obtained for the university by late this afternoon that institution probably would be forced to close.

In a number of small communities light plants have been closed for several days, and many schools have been dismissed.

CITY WILL SELL COAL.

Bloomington, Ill., Oct. 13.—The city council today voted to use \$1,000 in buying coal and delivering it to persons who have been unable to get fuel from dealers. Consumers will pay cash at actual cost to the city, plus delivery

CAPPER WRITES GARFIELD. CAPPER WRITES GARFIELD.

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 13.—Declaring that "concerted action by retail dealers in advancing prices to unreasonable figures, apparently with a determination to ignore federal action, is producing a lack of confidence in authority which must inevitably prove injurious," Governor Capper today sent a letter to Harry A. Garfield, federal coal administrator, calling his attention to the "extremely unsatisfactory condition of the retail coal market in the state of Kansas."

Kansas."

"A careful inquiry has developed no justification for the prices now prevailing," writes the governor. "Prolonged felay on the part of the federal government in giving our people the relief they had expected from a situation which has become intolerable, has created widespread unrest. This condition of mind finds expression in an overwhelming number of letters now coming to my desk in every mail."

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—The threatened coal shortage will be averted, fuel administration officials said today, by an order just issued, suspending in part provision of a recent priority proclamation directing that all central field coal moving toward lake ports go to the northwest. Ohio operators have been directed to supply first enough fuel to meet pressing neds in Ohio and send what is left to the northwest.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 13.-Becau WORKERS NEEDED SOON a shortage of coal the Columbus street car system was tied up again this morning for nearly an hour, and thousands of people were forced to walk to work.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—Existence of a general coal shortage is admitted by the geological survey.

"The tremendous increase in manufacturing and transportation activity this year," said a statement issued today, "has created a demand for soft coal in excess of any in the past."

A serious coal shortage exists in Ohio, fuel administration officials were told by a delegation of consumers who came to Washington to protest against lifting the embargo on coal shipment to Canada.

to Canada. Mayors of some towns, they said, have seized carloads of coal en route to the lakes and have apportioned if

MUNICIPAL BREAD DEPOTS PLANNED

among the inhabitants.

Hoover Prepares for Early Reg. ulation to Make Bakers Be Good.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—Early regulation of the batting industry was promised by Food Administrator Hoover, plans to control bread production and distribution already are under consideration and will be put into operation as soon as bread baking experiments now being conducted in several cities are completed. Municipal bread depots will be provided if it is found that retailers cannot rolled under a voluntary arrangement.

MILL AUSTRALIAN GRAIN ON COAST; SAVE SPACE

San Francisco, Oct. 12.—Efforts to encourage shipments of Australian wheat to California for re-shipment to the European allies in the form of flour, thus saving bottoms because of the lesser bulk of the finished product lie behind a reduction in freight rates from San Francisco to gulf ports announced today by the Southern Pacific

Railroad company.

This action was taken at the request of the California grain corporation of the United States food administration.

POTTERY WORKERS STRIKE.

East Liverpool, Ohio, Oct. 12.—Following the strike of 10,000 general ware pottery workers in Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Tennessee and Canada, piant owners in this district were notified that the supply of natural gas, used as fuel, would be cut off from all industrial concerns January 1.

The walkout is the men's answer to the manufacturers' refusal to grant a flat 25 per cent wage increase.