

AN ABUNDANCE OF AIRCRAFT

OUTPUT LIMITED ONLY TO FACILITIES FOR SHIPPING

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Washington, Oct. 30.—Production of American aircraft now has reached a stage where it is being limited practically only by facilities for transporting the airplanes to France. The production of Liberty motors during October reached a stage of 1000 a week, a goal which had not been hoped for, at least until December.

Ship 2500 to France
The latest official compilations show that since June 1 approximately 2500 fighting airplanes of all descriptions have been shipped to the American forces in France. When it is realized none of the belligerents at any one time since the beginning of the war has had more than 3500 airplanes actually in service, the significance of an American production of 2500 planes in five months becomes apparent. These 2500 planes included nearly 150 heavy bombers, and the remainder were planes of all classes, including observation machines and day bombers.

Ship Space Lacking
Reports from all the production centers show the results rapidly growing. The American forces have been moving so rapidly during the last few weeks that it has been found necessary to give up some of the transportation space which was intended for airplanes to other material.

Tuesday's night's reports showed there were more American airplanes awaiting shipment at points of embarkation than could be loaded.

All Fighting Planes
In speaking of fighting airplanes, the single-seated plane, in which are fought the spectacular duels of the air, is not included. These types are changing so rapidly that officials say it never will be practicable to build them elsewhere, are fighting planes, armed and equipped to care for themselves on the duty for which they are designed.

Visitor Takes Chance of Welcome
Moroccan fishermen are extremely superstitious, and the appearance of a strange change in weather or tide or the coming of a visitor makes them angry if at the same time the fish cease to bite. If he arrives at the time of a run he is eagerly welcomed, and sometimes is at a loss to return in the proper way the gratitude of the fishermen, who fancy his coming brought the run of fish.

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HEROICS ARE NO HIT WITH GAS MAN

(By United Press.)
With the American Army in France, Sept. 29.—(By Mail.)—The gas officer is one man in the American Army who has no idea of romantic heroism. Every one has been congratulating the chaps who jerked off their gas masks to do difficult jobs when the boches were heaving gas over in volumes, and the French awarded several boys the "Croix de Guerre" for their spunk.

Now comes the gas officer, taking all the joy out of being a hero in a gas attack. He says men who take off gas masks because they cannot do their work with them ought to be court-martialed instead of croix de guerre. The men will have to learn to work and fight in their masks, he says.

The gas officer hands it to the boys who work right through with their gas masks on, because they stay out of the hospitals. If anyone gets a whiff of the gas, the gas officer thinks that man ought to lie right down and take care of himself, which doesn't sound brave or heroic at all. It sounds like quitting, the doughboys say.

But the gas officer points out that the man who quits and takes care of himself gets over his gassing in 3 or 4 hours, and can go back into service again, whereas the chap who sticks it out to the last falls exhausted and needs a lot of hospital treatment before he is good for work again. This is how the gas officer figures the man who quits is a hero. He says the boches would like to have doughboys stay in the gas until they get whiffed good, and move around a lot until it is all through their bodies, for that puts a doughboy out of commission.

Of course, the gas officer doesn't want anyone to be a quitter when he has an important post to hold, for he says if the doughboys use their masks quickly and correctly, the boches haven't any gas that will bother seriously.

CORDITE FOR WEARY NERVES

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that cordite recreates force and energy in a way equaled by no other stimulant; but it is a wholly harmful drug, which ease away the mental and physical systems—a drug which should never be allowed to gain the mastery. In many cases, too, cordite gives its victims the appearance of drunkenness; more than one person had been thought to be drunk when really they had been chewing cordite.

The Murderer's Touch.
It is an old belief that the body of a murdered person will bleed on being touched by the guilty one. This "evidence" of guilt was once admitted in the Scottish criminal courts. If you happen to possess a copy of Sir Walter Scott's "Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border," you'll find an interesting story in this connection.

TEARS THROUGH BRICK WALLS

THIEF CONFINED IN COUNTY JAIL MAKES ESCAPE—FOUND IN HUNTINGTON

A few minutes after close of the business day at the court house yesterday evening, one of the two thieves of the Wright hardware store at Union about two weeks Dollo, who gave his name as Harry McDoll and claiming Omaha, Nebraska, as his home, succeeded in escaping to freedom through the twelve inch brick walls of his cell. His absence was discovered shortly after he made his escape and police in neighboring districts was notified. He was co-arrested this morning by Leonard Kidwell, special deputy sheriff at Huntington.

Sheriff Warnick is in Pendleton, having gone on report of McDoll's appearance there.

Influenza Situation Shows Little Improvement; New Cases Constantly Develop

No marked decrease in new cases of influenza is indicated by reports from city physicians. Many hundreds have been treated with the serum which is being administered free of charge, in compliance with the request of the board of health.

One death—that of James Douglas of Hot Lake occurred yesterday evening.

Physicians commend that patriotism of a number who have responded to the call for nurses. Many more are needed, however, and it is again urged that the work will be found both profitable and public spirited by any who will undertake it.

AUSTRIA'S BATTLE LINE IS SHATTERED

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deeply into the German positions, at many points reaching support lines, which were almost empty of defenders, it is reported.

Holding For Armistice.

PARIS, Oct. 30.—(By William Philip Sims, United Press Staff Correspondent.)—Fighting like mad men, the Germans are trying to hold the allies on the present line until an armistice is obtained.

Conference Delegates Arrive

Col. House was slightly indisposed today but planned on seeing President Poincaré and General Foch. Lord Reading has arrived from London.

Carrots for Bad Temper.

A writer sounds the praises of carrots, which, he says, are not only highly nutritive and a cheap and excellent food, but are also a specific for jealousy and bad temper! "Persistent eating of boiled carrot," he says, "will cure jealousy, melancholy, feelings of wrath and revenge; and, in short, the carrot-eater will become in time easy-going, good-natured, and placidly affectionate. I commend them especially to the notice of wives who have jealous, bad-tempered husbands. Give them carrots instead of 'beans!'"—London Tit-Bits.

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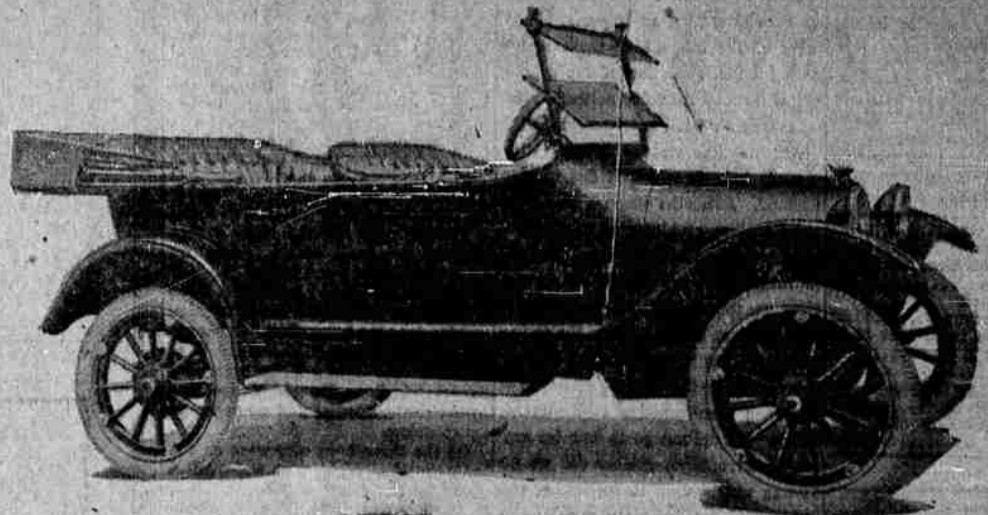
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New Motion-Picture Camera.
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INFLUENZA MASKS.
The wearing of influenza masks is recommended by physicians, and in some localities it is made imperative. These masks can be purchased at the Red Cross Shop, in new Foley Building, for 15 cents each. 10-28-5p

NOTICE TO GUARDSMEN.
Members of Companies A and B, First Battalion, Third Regiment, O. G., will report in front of the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday evening at 7:30, without guns. By order of the Commanding Officer. 10-28-2t

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