

# U. S. MAJOR POWER FELT FLANERS

## American Troops Now Face Germans; Response to Allies Prompt.

### FINAL TRAINING STARTS

Yankee Forces Brigaded With British Divisions in Reserve and Will See Immediate Service if Emergency Arises.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Evidence of the success of emergency measures to bring American man power to the aid of the French and British armies in repelling the German drive came today with the announcement that American troops had reached Flanders and gone into training behind the British lines there.

Official reports were lacking tonight, but Secretary Baker and Army officials accepted press advices that the first contingent of the forces to be brigaded for training and operations with the British army had arrived.

**Troop Movements Speeded.**  
Soldiers from General Pershing's army have been in line with the French and British in front of Amiens for some time but the decision to send additional forces from this country direct to the British army was made after the great German drive launched March 21 was well under way.

Less than two months has been required to get the first of these troops across the sea and into position.

Nothing is available at the War Department to indicate the identity or number of the men in Flanders. It is probable, however, that the National Army regiment reviewed recently in London by King George is included.

The infantry and machine gun units of the division to which that regiment was attached probably constitute the first American force to appear in the Flanders theater.

#### Any Emergency Will Be Met.

The men, it is noted, are described as being "in training" in the British zones. That is taken here to mean that they are being brigaded with British divisions in reserve and will get their final seasoning quickly through this close association with the veterans of Sir Douglas Haig's army.

Unless a great emergency arises when the German assault is renewed, it is not regarded as probable that the American battalions will be employed on the front line for some time.

The immediate result of greatest importance probably is that the battalions of British troops displaced in these divisions by the Americans will be available to fill up other British divisions to full strength, or for the organization of new British divisions, as General Haig deems best.

#### Training to Be Limited.

To that extent the Americans are now acting as reinforcements for the British lines. It is anticipated that a limited amount of additional training under existing conditions will round them into shape for any work that may be assigned to them later.

If the course of the German offensive permits, the same practice followed in training General Pershing's original forces probably will be carried out in Flanders.

In that case, the divisions with which American units have been brigaded will be given front-line duty in quiet sectors for a time until the Americans are seasoned to trench warfare. There the divisions undoubtedly will be used wherever the course of battle takes them.

#### Yankees Part of British Army.

The Americans are a part of the British army until it shall seem wise to withdraw them for service directly under General Pershing.

**WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 17.**—(By the Associated Press.)—Troops of the new American Army have arrived within the zone of the British forces in Northern France and are completing their training in the area occupied by the troops which are blocking the path of the Germans to the Channel ports.

Their commander has already commanded American forces in the trenches on the French front.

#### British Greeting Cordial.

The British say the Americans are of the finest material. The British troops greeted the Americans not only as comrades in arms, but as warm friends. On arriving within the British zone, they were cheered lustily by the sons of Britain, many of whom bore unmistakable signs of battle. They had not seen the Americans before, but they knew they were coming.

The last stages of their training being entering the line were begun almost as soon as they reached their destinations. From that point they could hear the rumble of the not-distant guns.

**PARIS, May 17.**—Announcement was made here today that American troops have arrived in Northern France, in the zone occupied by British forces.

The announcement concluded with the statement that the relations between the British and American officers and soldiers are extremely cordial.

## PORTLAND MAN HONORED

### AVIATION FIELD IN TEXAS NAMED AFTER ROBERT J. BARRON.

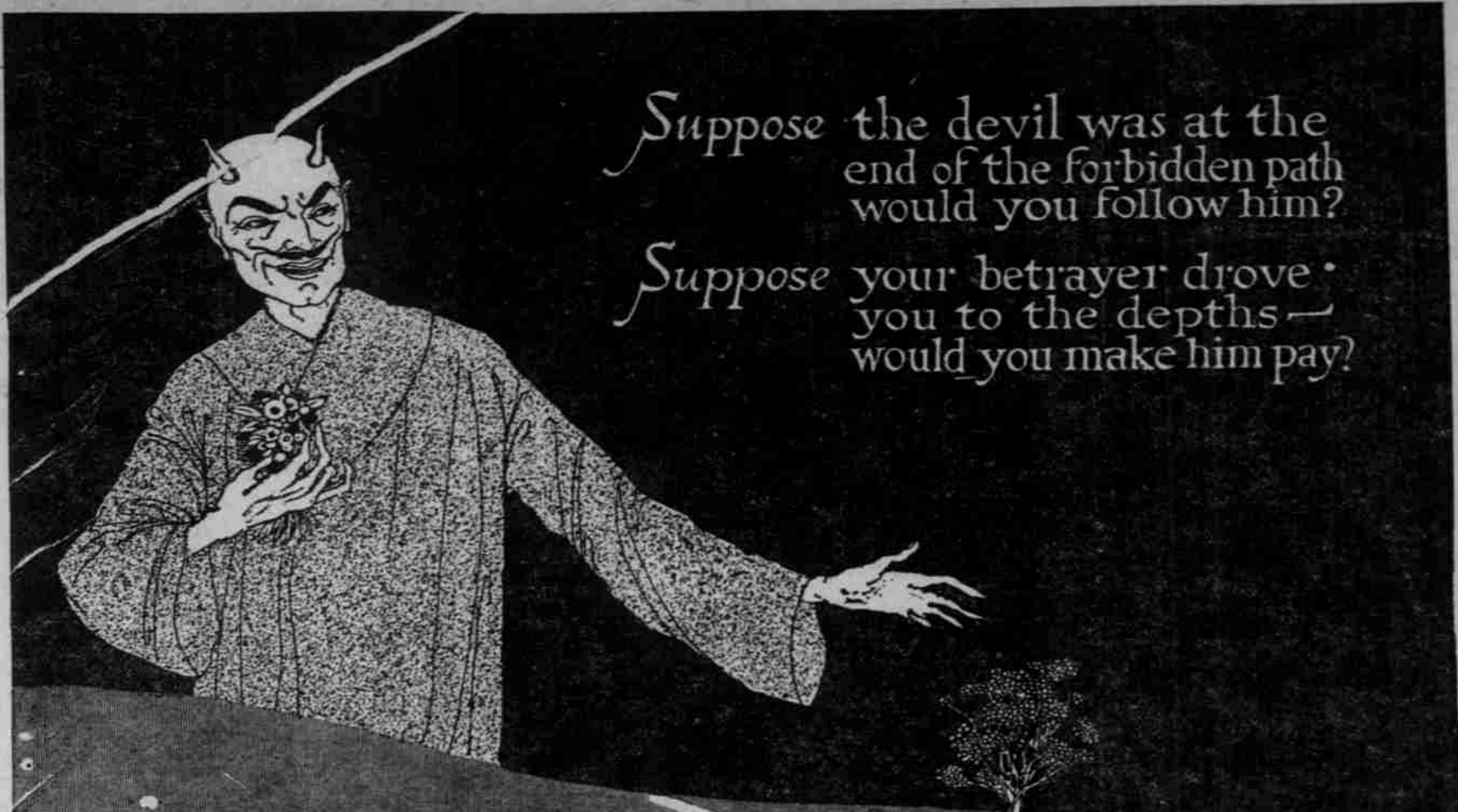
Parents of Hero Who Gave Life to Save Two Aviators Are Advise of Government's Action.

In tribute to the memory of Robert J. Barron, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Barron, of Portland, who lost his life while trying to rescue two associate cadet aviators from peril, the name of Everman aviation field at Port Worth, Tex., has been changed to Barron field. A telegram from the chief of the Army Air Division to Mr. Barron conveys this intelligence.

At the same time it was announced that similar honor is being paid to the name of Lieutenant W. K. Carruthers, long stationed with regular Army unit at Vancouver Barracks, Benbrook field, at San Diego, Cal., is henceforth to be known as Carruthers field.

Robert J. Barron was stationed at Eslington, Pa., last August. When two of his associates had trouble with their airplane and dropped into the Delaware River Mr. Barron started to swim to their rescue. He sank to his death just before reaching the floating plane.

The young man had lived all his life in Portland and the body was brought here for interment. The parents received letters of sympathy from President Wilson, Secretary of War Baker and other prominent Government and state officials.



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BEGINNING TODAY



## KAISER CHEERS UP

Ruler Visits Army Cemetery and Expresses Optimism.

### FUTURE TASKS INDICATED

Progressive Leader in Wurttemberg Diet Declares Fifth Winter of War Now Seems Inevitable.

## AMSTERDAM, May 17.

"I have rock-like confidence that my people will be equal to the great tasks of the future," the Cologne Volks Zeitung quotes Emperor William saying when inspecting the graves of soldiers during his recent visit to Aix-la-Chapelle.

"The soldier who has struggled through the iron time of the world war will be a teacher and leader of the growing youths at home in building up and consolidating the re-born empire."

"War's bloody sword will be reforged into ploughshares in the work of peace and civilization, and in the new imperial force we must, as united peoples of brothers, show ourselves worthy of comrades in eternity."

The Emperor further is reported as saying:

"Truly it was not my will that the war has come."

**LONDON, May 17.**—Professor Charles Scott Sperrington, of Oxford, has sent the Times a memorandum of a conversation he had at Heidelberg in August, 1907, with Professor Ernest Troeltsch, of the Theological faculty of Heidelberg University.

The Times points out that this shows that there is not the smallest chance of such Germans as Professor Troeltsch being affected by the Lichnowsky memorandum revealing Germany's responsibility for starting the war.

#### England's Position Enlivened.

In his conversation as set forth in the Oxford professor's notes, Professor Troeltsch said that war between Germany and England was a necessity because England had so much that it

was absolutely necessary for Germany to possess in order to play her role as a world state. Professor Troeltsch, when asked what possession Germany desired, replied:

"Ports, colonies in many parts of the world; Australia, South Africa, Hongkong, India."

**BERNE, Switzerland, May 17.** via British Admiralty per Wireless Press.—In a speech before the Wurttemberg Diet, Herr Hausmann, one of the leaders of the Progressive party, said that a fifth Winter of war was now inevitable.

Germans must make up their minds to face disappointment, he said, instead of obtaining the victory hoped for during the Summer.

**LONDON, May 17.**—The German commission appointed to examine the decline in the birth rate in Germany has reported a recommendation for the compulsory marriage of Germans before their 30th year is passed, according to a dispatch to the Daily Express, from Amsterdam.

**Settable Penalties Proposed.**  
Pinal assistance would be granted by the state, according to this plan, which provides penalties for those failing to comply. Provision also is made for the punishment of married couples who remain childless.

A report from German sources shows a fall in the birth rate in Germany during 1915-17 equivalent to the loss of 2,000,000 infants. Forty per cent fewer births occurred in 1916 than in 1912. These figures are compared with a decrease of 10 per cent in the birth rate in England and Wales.

The infantile death rate in Germany has been kept well down, but reports show it is 50 per cent higher than in England and Wales.

## LEGAL FEES TOTAL \$27,000

Tacoma Lawyer Gets Good Haul in Condemnation Suits.

**TACOMA, Wash., May 17.**—(Special.)—Special Attorney J. T. S. Lyle, in charge of the counts Army post condemnation suit, has been awarded a fee of \$27,000 for his legal services for the first year of the work. This does not include the \$600 fee stipulated in the first contract, December 5, 1916, for handling the \$2,000,000 bond issue election matters.

The county has so far expended about \$1,350,000 of the \$2,000,000 and has acquired a little more than half of the 70,000 acres required by the Army officials for the reservation.

## BIG LINER AGROUND

Highland Scot Meets Disaster Off Brazil Coast.

### ALL PASSENGERS SAVED

Valuable Cargo Is Total Loss—Ten Perish When French Steamship Atlantic Is Torpedoed.

**BUENOS AIRES, May 16.**—The Nelson liner Highland Scot is aground on the Brazilian coast, 60 miles north of Rio Janeiro, and is considered to be a total loss. The entire valuable cargo is now believed to be ruined. The passengers were saved.

The Highland Scot left Buenos Aires April 29 and went aground May 6, but the censor would not allow her position to be made known until today.

The Highland Scot was a steel screw steamer of 7604 gross tonnage.

**PARIS, May 17.**—Ten passengers, one European and nine Arabs, were killed when the French steamer Atlantic was torpedoed in the Mediterranean early this month. The steamship managed to reach a port by her own steam. It is announced. She measures 6447 tons.

**WASHINGTON, May 17.**—Vice Admiral Sims called the Navy Department today that the American steamer Neches, previously reported torpedoed has been sunk in the English Channel by a collision with a small steamer. No lives were lost.

**LONDON, May 17.**—The British

steamer Clan Mackay was sunk in a collision on May 11, according to a telegram from Gibraltar received by Lloyd's. The crew was saved.

The steamer Clan Mackay was 420 feet long and measured 6530 tons. She was built in Newcastle in 1916 and was the second largest of the more than two score boats owned by Cayser, Irvine & Co., of Glasgow.

## GOODCELL TO TAKE CHARGE

San Franciscan Will Be Managing Editor of Salt Lake Paper.

**SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.**—(Special.)

—Fred Goodcell, president of the newspapermen's Club of San Francisco and news editor of the Bulletin for the last four years, resigned both positions today to become managing editor of the recently merged Telegram and Herald-Republican, of Salt Lake City. He will depart next week to assume his new duties. Goodcell succeeded Frank R. Havenner, now secretary to Senator

Hiram Johnson, as president of the San Francisco Newspapermen's Club. Under his direction the organization, composed exclusively of active and former newspapermen, has gone ahead steadily until its membership includes a big majority of the newspapermen in the Bay cities.

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## TRAIN TIME CHANGES

between PORTLAND, RAINIER, ASTORIA, FORT STEVENS AND CLATSOP BEACH POINTS and points on United Ry.

Changes in passenger schedules will be made on the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway on Sunday, May 19, 1918, some trains being run EARLIER, and the traveling public should be governed accordingly:

Westbound—Portland-Rainier local will leave Portland 12:25 P. M., instead of 12:35, as now, and be ten minutes later at Rainier, St. Helens and intermediate points.

United Ry.—No. 1 will leave Linnton at 8:58 instead of 9:10 A. M., arrive Wilkesboro 9:58 instead of 10:10 A. M.

No. 3 will leave Linnton 12:52 instead of 1:00 P. M., arrive Wilkesboro 1:52 instead of 2:00 and corresponding earlier time at intermediate points.

Other changes will be made in local trains between Astoria, Fort Stevens and Seaside. See time cards.

Eastbound—Rainier-Portland local will leave Rainier 2:50 P. M., instead of 3:00, arrive Portland 4:50 instead of 5:00. This train will be about TEN MINUTES EARLIER at all points.

Clatsop Beach—Astoria Express and Portland Limited, to Portland will leave Astoria and Beach points, respectively, later than at present.

United Railways No. 2 will be from five to seven minutes earlier than at present at intermediate points, and No. 6 twenty minutes EARLIER.

No. 80, new daily train, leave Seaside 6:15 A. M., arrive Warrenton 6:50 A. M., Fort Stevens 7:10 A. M., leave Fort Stevens 7:15, Warrenton 7:35, arrive Astoria 7:55. This train, instead of No. 22, will stop at Port Dock, Astoria, to discharge passengers. Revised time schedules distributed Saturday. R. H. CROZIER, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent.

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