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TROOPS CONTINUE TO SAIL

Secretary Baker and General March Tell House Military Committee That Soldiers Will Not Be Delayed Through Submarines.

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This mileage is held by "all-American" forces under command of American officers, located at six different places along the fighting line. Other Americans are at the front with British and French units.

U-Boats Do Not Dault. Members of the committee were told again that there was no thought of diminishing the movement of troops across the Atlantic because of the operation of U-boats off the American coast.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Informal denial of reports circulated in this country, presumably by German agents, that negro soldiers with the American expeditionary force are being given more dangerous work than the white troops, was made today by General Pershing.

Negroes Want Fighting. The message said the negroes were in high spirits and that their only complaint was that they were not given more active service.

General Pershing said he could not comment too highly the spirit shown among the colored combat troops, who exhibit fine capacity for quick training and eagerness for the most dangerous work.

The general's cablegram, which was in reply to one of inquiry sent by Secretary Baker, said in part: "The stories, probably invented by German agents, that colored soldiers in France are always placed in most dangerous positions and sacrificed to save white soldiers, and that when wounded they are left on the ground to die, without medical attention, etc., are absolutely false."

Death Rate Low. The message went on to explain that in the four colored combat regiments now in the front there have been only 25 deaths and two men wounded severely.

AMERICANS SCORE GAINS. The exploits of two colored infantry regiments in repelling a much larger German patrol, killing and wounding several Germans and winning the Croix de Guerre by their gallantry, has aroused a fine spirit of emulation throughout the colored troops, all of whom are looking forward to more active service.

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"As far as my health is concerned, I am feeling well—and that is the most important thing. We are again in the front line because the American division opposite us has achieved some success and we, the German division, are to make good this loss."

Hope for Relief Expressed. "Of course we are getting all sorts of knocks from the enemy artillery, which, especially at night, shoots at us accurately."

"Up to now everything has gone pretty well, but we hope to be relieved soon and get some rest. If one has been for more than 14 days in this mix-up, one has more than sufficient."

"I have heard with joy that no harm came to you through the acts of enemy aviators."

LETTERS taken from other prisoners which have been written to them by German civilians, said that the writers were safe, notwithstanding the air raids made by allied aviators. One letter mentioned the recent air raid on Karlsruhe and, after describing the result in killed and wounded and the property damage, said: "Of course, the bombs fell before our air defenses began to operate—as usual."

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SEVERELY WOUNDED.—Corporal Paul Dandridge, Paducah, Ky.; Lonzo Fidler, Springfield, Ill.; Charles Hoffman, Cincinnati; William Little, Eddyville, Neb.; William H. Parsons, Sandy Hook, Ky.; Melvin P. Quinn, Conifer, Pa.; Edward Albert Rose, Iowa Falls, Ia.; Wagoner Howard L. Smith, Wagoner, Okla.; Victor Phillip Galloway, Iowa Falls, Ia.; Laura Boggs, Gilliam, Mo.; Alexander Bolas, Forbes Road, Pa.; Raymond L. Brown, Clayton, Conn.; Joseph C. Bustler, Barre, Vt.; Louis A. Diefer, Saltzman, Brookline, Mass.; Joseph J. Minner, Minneapolis, Minn.; George J. Durkin, Baltimore, Md.; Joseph Lebadevin, Montville, Conn.; Walter J. McNeill, Lewis, N.Y.; Joseph M. Searles, Beaver City, Utah; John F. Minizer, Erie, Pa.; Ernest Washington Nobles, Easton, Md.; John A. Peterson, Sudbury, Sweden; James Porter, South Boston, Mass.; Neadum Robert, New York, N.Y.; Edward B. Rosen, Javers, Mass.; William B. Thomas, Lake Charles, La.; Floyd H. Whittemore, Milton, W. Va.

HONORS ACCORDED

Dr. W. D. Carlyle

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TWO OTHERS GET AWARDS

Splendid Work of Secretaries in France With Russian Forces Wins First Special Decorations of War.

NEW YORK, June 21.—George M. Day, of Oakland, Cal.; Samuel B. Vaisey, of Brooklyn, and Dr. W. D. Carlyle, of Portland, Me., have been decorated with the Russian Order of St. Stanislaus. A cablegram announcing the honor, received by the Y. M. C. A., said it was conferred in recognition of the splendid work of the secretaries while operating under fire in caring for the wounded and in keeping up the morale of the men back of the line.

Decorations First Awarded. The three awards were made by the Russian government in honor of the splendid work of the secretaries of the Y. M. C. A. in France.

Dr. Carlyle, who is well known to hundreds of Portland people, and whose boyhood home was in this city and Salem, spent 14 years in Petrograd and for several years practiced dentistry there. When the Russian debacle occurred Dr. Carlyle and Mrs. Carlyle returned to America for obvious reasons. A great deal of his practice has been among families of the nobility, and these friendships did not serve to win popularity with the inflated currency.

ST. LOUIS, June 21.—Lieutenant James R. Wheeler, of St. Louis, was killed this morning when the machine in which he was flying with John N. Foster, cadet, fell into the sea off Scott Field, near Belleville.

LONDON, June 21.—British casualties reported during the week ended today aggregated 26,620.

of sending Austrian reinforcements to the western side or conveying food and military supplies to the men already on the border of the plains has become critical.

Hoping to alleviate the situation, the Austrians again have delivered attacks on the Montello plateau, the keystone of the Italian line, but have failed, they met with repulse. Between the Treviso railroad bridge and the Zenson loop the allies have pressed back the enemy closer toward the Piave, while at Lonzon, near the Fossato Canal, the enemy attacks were repulsed. Farther south, a short distance from where it empties into the Adriatic, the Italians in a daring assault north of Cortellazzo pierced the enemy front.

Yankees Are Daring. In the violent air fighting that is in progress all along the front American aviators have joined the allied airmen in their daring performance.

ROME, June 21.—Under the impact of the Italian center offensive launched on the night of June 19-20, Austrian forces on the Piave River front near Lonzon and Zenson have been compelled to fall back. The Italian War office announced today.

Prisoners continue to pour into the Italian concentration camps in the rear of the lines, several hundred being captured yesterday.

Strong attacks by the Austrians, the War Office announced, were made west of San Dona di Piave. The Austrians attacked the Italian line north of Meolo, the Austrians assaulted in vain five times in succession and finally retired because of exceptionally heavy losses.

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The struggle on the Carso Plateau and on the Montello increased to special violence. Field Marshal Ziegler's divisions in their broad front, with trenches destroyed waves of enemy storming troops. Everywhere our soldiers held their ground in the hand-to-hand fighting.

U-BOAT OUTRAGED

American Troop Ship Escapes After Hot Battle.

OVER 100 SHOTS FIRED

U. S. Steamer Schurz, Formerly German Ship Geler, Sunk in Collision Off Florida Coast.

COPENHAGEN, June 21.—The situation at Prague, Bohemia, and the industrial centers in that district, says the Neue Presse of Vienna, has become so serious that the Austrian government will either be compelled to retreat or to make peace.

AMSTERDAM, June 21.—There has been some alleviation of the food situation in Austria, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Dutch newspapers.

SEYDLER WILL QUIT HELM. (Continued from First Page.) meat allowance is obtained "if the applicant waits all night for it."

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