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THE distinguished service cross of the United States is the highest military honor that can be awarded by the President. There is only one greater decoration the soldier can win, the medal of honor which is awarded by Congress. Lieutenant William B. Meyering, of the Infantry arm of the service, is thought to have been the first to win the new decoration.

Powerful mechanical equipment is required to handle the heavy machinery that is being used in France. American engineers have taken over much machinery of this type to use in the heavy work of that department. Cranes of the largest type are needed for the loading and unloading of artillery pieces and gun carriages.

English "Tommies" on the Italian front were not caught napping at the opening of the Austrian offensive. Heavy fighting took place along the Piave, on the eastern end of Montello Heights and in the Brente Valley. At the first attack of the enemy the English 'Bulldogs' captured 350 men, besides a number of field pieces and machine guns.

Heavy American guns are arriving at the front in France now in great numbers. The artillery is transported to practically where it is to be used over the lines of railroad that have been established by the Engineers.

Refugees in the battle zone of the German offensive were obliged to flee to places of safety until the enemy is driven back from invaded territory. Highways were crowded with women, children and their belongings that could be conveyed by various methods in the movement to the towns and cities where stopping places could be found.

American soldiers recently captured from the Germans a quantity of liquid fire machines. They were taken in a raid made in March when the enemy scouting party was surprised in No Man's Land.





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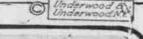
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British Soldiers On Italian Front. British Official P.



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Refugees Fles From Battle Zone. British Official Photo.



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