VICTORY WILL COME IN AIR IS OPINION OF FRENCH AVIATOR

Aircraft Has Revolutionized Warfare Today as Gunpowder in Early Days.

AMERICA'S GREAT DUTY

By Supplying Aircraft to Allied Armies the United States Can Perform Greatest Service.

Lieutenant de La Grange is a typical French pidier. He served two years as a private, worked his way up through non-commissioned positions and then, after competitive exami-mation, was made sub-lieutenant in the cavalry. Lieutenant de La Grange participated in the metreat from Belgium. After that fighting the cavalry practically went out of existence and he began his flying. He has chased Zeppe-lims over Belgium and has won a score of fights in the 18 mouths he has been in the fiving in the 18 months he has been in the firing

By J. P. Yoder.

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Washington, June 23 .- "Put out the enemy's eyes! Blind him and he is

That is the message Lieutenant Amaury de La Grange, French flier extraordinary, wants carried to the

He told the United Press today in an eloquent plea to the American people to get behind the proposed pragram of the aircraft production board of the council of national defense and make possible speedy appropriations by congress of the sums necessary to send 5000 machines to the French battlefields by March-and 10,000 machines by August, 1918. This would mean a total of training and fighting machines at the front and building o approximately 50,000.

The Way to Berlin Carry out the proposed program Lieutenant de La Grange declared an ! opening of the way to Berlin is made possible-even probable

the thing so far impossible of achievement-actual breaking of the German lines, is rendered well nigh certain. "This war," said Lieutenant de La Grange," as has been so often told. is one of artillery fighting at long

range. Blinded artillery, obviously is helpless. Air supremacy means blinded artillery-for the other side. "Again this war has developed into war of no maneuvering. No maneuvering means no surprises. Victory is impossible without an element of surprise. Given two sides where a deadlock exists, where there is even a near

nigh impossible. "But give one side a preponderance weaker in men and metal, and it is a allies are slightly superior. man who can see.'

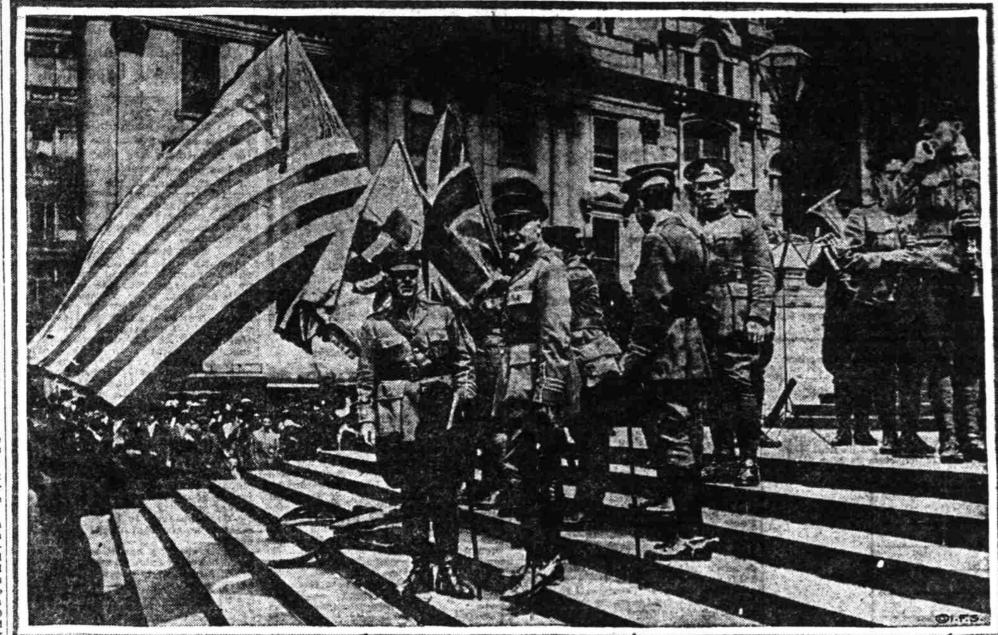
and surprise, yes, even victory, is well

is now, both sides, as regards eviation, according to Lieutenant de output or something else of military La Grange, are fairly equal, with a use. And even then she could not slight balance favoring the allies. equal the enormous American output. Both sides are feverishly turning out "The fact that America was building resolution proposing an amendment up We are comfortable assessment of the fact that America was building resolution proposing an amendment up We are comfortable assessment of the fact that America was building resolution proposing an amendment up we are comfortable assessment. their maximum output—aproximately 4000 machines monthly, including defensive position. We do i t know power to purchase, hold, improve, subthousands of training machines.

"Let America, with its vast resources and its unlimited manufacturing pos- us if we had to produce 20,000 more promoting farm ownership in the sibilities, turn herself quickly to giving us air supremacy," said de La Grange, "and victory is near—lives in Supply Wanted by Spring Watchless countless numbers will be saved and

millions in money will be unspent. but start quickly-at once. It is It would take you four months more and one gold watch each, while in four ine the confusion around here with two time! Time! Time! Every week lost to produce an overwhelming number- other townships there is not a watch. now means months lost next spring. that is, four machines to one German There is nothing in the reports to

UNITED STATES OFFICERS DISPLAY FLAG IN LONDON



The Stars and Stripes have been placed alongside the British Union Jack in historic St. Paul's cathedral, London. The photograph shows the first American flag to be sent to England from this country after the declaration of war, carried by officers of the United States on the steps of St. Paul's.

Aircraft Greatest Need "I doubt if you could produce heavy artillery within a year. Start now on the aircraft production board's aeroplane program and you give us the greatest help. You may make a 1918

"The most powerful weapon with ready-in any quantity:" the largest future is the aeroplane. "The aeroplane has revolutionized warfare more than gunpowder did. Germany cannot equal the air preponderance you can furnish and your Shaw has been appointed postmistress

victory possible-even probable.

equality of men and metal and aviation she weaken herself elsewhere in a military way. Germany's Air Resource

into building aeroplanes Germany, to ice some time ago. maintain her equality in the arr, would have to diminish her submarine Would Promote Farm Ownership

"By next March or April you should

Carry out the program, he said, and that of food. shorter time than it took to build the

> "The matter of aviators is comparatively simple. Here, where flying can be done the whole year around, you could have the men ready and well trained by the time the machines were

Postmaster for Pleasant Home

Washington, June 23 .- Miss Mary O. allies in democracy's fight, unless at Pleasant Home, Multnomah county, Oregon, in place of Mrs. C. J. Britton, resigned.

Extension of rural route No. 8 out "Germany has probably about 4000 of Salem has been authorized from in aviation, even though that side is machines on the western front. The June 16, Representative Hawley has If been advised. He presented the restronger blind man fighting a weaker America turns her available resources quest of residents for additional serv-

aeroplanes would put Germany in a to the constitution to give congress how she would meet this problem, but divide and sell land, and to make loans, we do know what it would mean to "for the purpose of encouraging and

Watchless Kansas Townships And you Americans know what is lost machine, which is what the allies need. show what became of the watches re-

Allied Aircraft in Numbers Could Put Speedy End to War

So Writes Marion Kyle, Portland Boy, Who Is Serving In France With American Field Service; Football at the Front Is One Diversion.

at Jefferson high and Stanford university. By Marion Kyle

"Somewhere in France," May 11 .-Washington, June 23.—Senator Shep- here since yesterday and will leave in at will. their appearance as soon as the lan- Bosch. terns are turned out and squeak and quarrel all night over our food. It is very disconcerting to wake up at 2 in the morning and find a huge rat "By next March or April you should Salina, Kans., June 23.—Four tewn- calmly gasing at you aboue a foot Cross sections, further down the line be able to send sufficient machines to ships in this county, according to the away. We have declared war on them desired five of us to come down and "It will take you time, yes to start, the front to make a great difference, assessor's returns, have only one silver and are waging a huge drive, so imag-European wars going on at the same time. If French soldiers are as bold as the French rats there will be no need of American troops to finish the

Where the Shells Break

The morning has been somewhat exciting in several ways. About 10 o'clock a German aeroplane came overhead and immediately their batteries opened fire on a French battery not far from us. The aeroplane kept directing the fire of the German guns notwith-standing a hail of shrapnel directed towards it by the French anti-air craft guns. They threw in 150 shells one after the other and have kept it up intermittantly the rest of the day. One would think the French guns battered to nothing, but about five minutes ago they started replying as lively as ever. We kept close to the dugout as pieces of eclat from the German shells would whistle by very often and a piece of shrapnel fell on our roof from the anti-aircraft shells in the air above. There is not much chance for bravery here. The only thing you can do is to stay in the dug-out and hope the next one doesn't get you.

Aeroplanes Are Needed Only once here can one realize the importance of aeroplanes in modern warfare. If America would send over 3000 speedy aeroplanes the war would be over twice as quickly. It is by aeroplanes, chiefly, that all the artillery aiming is done. The anti-air craft guns are very ineffective and only about one shot in 10,000 disables a ma-The only way to keep control of the air is to have so many planes up at all times that the Germans will not dare to come up. As it is now the allies have not enough machines,

The other day the German aeroplanes bombarded the town where we stay and wounded three little boys and a woman. I think they were aiming for the railroad station but missed it a mile. The station used to be their favorite target at Verdun a while back and now they are trying for it here. Sensations of a Bombing

Sunday night was our only excitement of the week. An aeroplane again came over the town and dropped four bombs despite the anti-aircraft guns. We had just finished supper and were in the yard when we saw him coming and stopped to watch the shrapnel bursting around him. He came almost over our heads, at least it looked so to us, and then we heard the whistle of the bombs and the explosion in a field about 400 yards from us. A bombing aeroplane gives one the same feeling as an earthquake. There is no place you can go that is safer than where you are but still you are loath to stay here. The rest of the time here we

eat, sleep and study French. We used to be frequent habitues of We used to be frequent habitues of posed in a bill by Senator Shafroth of the pastry shops but now the manufac- Colorado, who proposes to allow each ture of cakes is prohibited and we do state to select unappropriated public without. I see in the papers that two lands equal to one tenth of the area of sections from the University of Caliornia and one from Stanford are start- daries. The bill places no restrictions ing over here. There will be quite a upon the disposal of the lands, except

Marion Kyle of the American Field Service, shell us, because if they did the French is the son of Mrs. G. A. Kyle, 543 East Thirty would shell a town about the same seventh street, Portland, and a former student size, which the Germans hold and size, which the Germans hold and which is about 10 miles away. So both sides by tacit agreement withhold shelling the two towns. The agree-This afternoon I am on duty at another ment does not seem to include aerohere in a dug-out in a side hill and drive it away. When we were at Verare very safe. The only inconvenience dun they were easily matched but there we suffer is from the rats. They make the advantage is all to our friends the

Much has happened since I stopped writing Sunday noon. While engaged in writing the last line of my letter news came that one of the English Red desired five of us to come down and complete an association football team to play the French team there. We jumped into one of our cars and to gether with our French lieutenant and some of our French orderlies started off at once.

A Paradox of War

The game proved very exciting and s one of the most novel experiences l have ever had. The field we played on was a beautifully level turf, situated in a valley with a river winding around the edges and wooded hills all around. There were about 3000 French soldiers present to see the game and as it happened, a military band was giving a concert in the open on the hillside. Can you imagine such a scene. England and America allied happy excited soldiers all around while over the field rang the music of the control of the cont over the field rang the music of "Il Trovatore" from the band and in the air two or three aeroplanes coming and going from the trenches, and only three miles away death and desolation were being spread with every bursting shell.

The score was 4 to 4 and I wish to say that if the French fight as hard in the trenches as they did on the football field I foresee disaster for the Germans this year. We are going to play them a game of rugby football next Sunday.

After the game the Englishmen took us up to the barracks and gave us tea and served a fruitcake which one of them had just received from home. They had a small phonograph and agreeably surprised us by playing "Hello Hawaii", "You Made Me Love You", and several other pieces, which

made us all homesick. A Study of Types

This gathering was a wonderful study. The older Englishmen, all gentlemen of the highest order, we young Americans, and the two French lieutenants. Each Ambulance section has a French lieutenant at its head. Ours a very fine young man. The other Lieutenant was very interesting. He had an English father, a French mother and a Portuguese grandmother and spoke each language perfectly. Here we all sat and sang American ragtime, three miles from the front line trenches. The French, particularly, like the song "Its a Long, Long Way to Tipperary." They sing it all the

I admire greatly the temperament of these poilus who can come from the horror of the lines and immediately become once more happy, care-free sons of France. Such is the Latin temperament, but it is the spirit which has kept France where she is.

State Aid Plan

Washington, June 23.—Additional aid to the states for construction of roads in the national forests is pro-California contingent when they ar- that they shall be used as an aid in the building of national forest roads.

Belligerents Spare towns

The life in this town is one of the lawns or streets, a one man wheeled lawns or streets, a one man wheeled tank has been invented from which

AIRPLANES, VESSELS AND MONEY VITAL FACTORS IN BIG WAR

By Providing Plentifully Along These Lines America Can Render Most Effective Aid.

THE ROAD TO VICTORY

Best Been Built on Foundation Comprising Three Agencies.

Washington, June 23 .- (WASHING-TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.) - as it is reread and studied, is coming With the plans for the mobilization to be regarded as one of his finest efof America's power well under way, forts. This is because within a small the first and heaviest strokes to be compass it tells perhaps better than delivered in the war will not be in the anyone else has told why America is tracts for construction of military canbig army seen to be called, nor in the at war, and why democracy cannot fleet of destroyers and warships al- trust the autocracy of Germany. Its ready patrolling in foreign seas. States is given the opportunity to pression the world over.

strike terrifically at German autoc- One of the peculiariti

"It must be made plain that the

s perhaps the most vital of all the one. Ordinarily there would have methods of fighting in which the been an immense crowd gathered in United States can take part," says the open at the base of the Washing-Howard E. Coffin, chairman of the ton monument, where a small stand aircraft board of the council of na- had been constructed. But only a few tional defense. British and French hours before a great electric storm authorties have declared that if this swept the city, and the streets flowed country will turn to manufacturing terrents of water. The grounds about sands of lives of soldiers later on.

Then ships, to carry the food and to speak. he materials of warfare to the allies.

"The road to victory," said Lloyd absolute assurance of victory, has to be found in one word, shipe, and a be found in one word, ships, and a of America in the war. It may be profit in the case of the contractor is second word, ships, and a third word, that the chief executive had in mind his wage."

already loaned approximately one billion dollars to the allies, so that the advantage of the nation. activities of war may not slacken. Other billions are to be loaned. For this contribution America asks no money changer's profit, but the war down are definite enough for the units wealth. The money is being returned to the mills, the factories, the farms and the shippards.

Hindenburg's Misguided Utterance If the country plays its full part with airplanes, ships and money, it may not have to make a large conof the three posts we serve, It is much plane engagements, however. The tribution in men. Von Hindenburg life and liberty.

Woodrow Wilson will give history a work exciting here than the one I Germans have control of the air around said that America has no weight. He "No indemnities must be insisted on clear picture of the purposes of what more exciting here than the one I Germans have control of the air around said that America has no weight. He wrote from last time. I have been out here and come over the French lines was thinking of masses of men gath- except those that constitute payment will be America's last war president, ered along the Hindenburg line, where | for manifest wrongs done the addition of a few hundred thou- "No readjustments of power must are established.

York.

But supremacy in the air, which it seems that America may bring; ships sufficient to carry food and supplies across the ocean, and money in abundance to keep pace with every move, are things that have weight. While preparing a great army, which will go forward if it must, these other means

of winning a war are to be given a chance to operate. Preparations Under Way

Mr. Coffin reminds the country that Britain's last appropriation for its aviation service was \$600,000,000. An expenditures. of about the same sum is suggested as a beginning by General Squier, who is in charge of the American aviation service. The obvious thing, he says, is to "knock out Germany's eyes" by a thrust in the air.

As to the ships, General Goethals FAIR PLAN IS FOLLOWED has recently stated that he expects to be able to put 3,000,000 tons of steel ships under commission in 18 months The possible product of wooden ships is not stated, but this will surely be as much as 1,000,000 tons additional. on the basis of only 200 ships averaging 5000 tons each.

Presdent Wilson's flag day address, warning against peace intrigue is set In three great fields the United with a background that makes an im-

racy. Opinion is gaining strength that is that the delivery of this address men called for the new army. through the air, in the capacity to was heard by barely 2000 people, whose build and man a myriad of airplanes, appreciation of its greatness was nar- the usual process of full specifications the nation can do the greatest service rowed by their discomfort in the fitful and bids, so the percentage basis will rain that showered down

Weather Is Unfavorable

It was known locally that the presistruggle for the supremacy of the air dent's utterance would be a notable airplanes on a large scale it will do the monument were saturated, and says that he would be glad to do the more than by the sacrifice of thou- showers still fell in a suddenly chilled work without profit, he should look atmosphere when the president came closely into the case. On an average it

While a secret service man held an While the plans for control of the sub- umbrella over him and the bedraggled 3% per cent. This means that on a marine go forward, there must also crowd huddled in little groups where million dollar contract the contractor go the greatest possible speeding up the best footing could be found, the earns \$35,000, and certainly nobody of construction of vessels to replace president read the address which has ought to complain at that, the tonnage destroyed in the waste created such a profound impression.

America's Aims Outlined In this address, and in his statement

some of those who have suggested that After airplanes and ships, money, this country should state its objects Out of a plentiful store America has He has at any rate furnished a reply. and deftly turned the situation to the secure the future peace of the world Exact terms it would be impossible of its peoples. to state in the midst of conflict, but

the conditions the president has laid

"No people must be forced under sovereignty under which it does not

COMPETITIVE BIDS ARE NOT FEASIBLE FOR THE CANTONMENT

imited Time for Construction of Buildings Precludes Usual Procedure.

Basis to Insure Pair Profit for Contractor and Fair Wage,

Washington, June 23 .- The committee on public information has issued an explanation of the reasons which have governed in the decision to make contenments without the usual process of

The work must be completed, in all essential respects, within 12 weeks, One of the peculiarities of the day ready for the training of the 500,000much speed is required, it is said, for be followed in each case, with the adoption of precautions and checks to insure honest and compotent work.

Profits Are Minimized The contracts are on a 7 per cent basis this 7 per cent to cover overhead cost and contractor's profits, with a limit of \$250,000 for each camp. Commenting upon this system, the official statement says:

"Before anyone decides this is too much and quotes some contractor who is estimated that all of these contractors have an overhead charge of

Fair Wage for Labor

"It is not the policy of the government in this crisis to allow a man to to Russia, it is felt that the president do work of this kind without profit. has given the fullest definition that Business must be kept stable and the it is now possible to give of the aims | worker must have his fair wage, and

and the future welfare and happiness

The war message gave America's indictment of Germany, with a restateloans are not robbing the country of derstanding of all peoples when he ment of the principles of democracy. The message to Russia set forth the principles to be achieved in the conanother. The flag day address set "No territory must change hands forth the plans of German domination except for the purpose of securing and of threatening intrigue. Taken those who inhabit it a fair change of together, these three utterances of life and liberty. Woodrow Wilson will give history a



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