

Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest and Other

Things Worth Knowing.

Turkish troops have occupied Tabriz, next to Teheran the largest city in Persia, according to a Turkish official statement dated June 14.

Six submarines built for the Chilean government in the United States arrived Sunday at the port of Ballenita, Ecuador. They left an Atlantic port in the United States May 25.

All new crops have been ordered requisitioned by the Hungarian government, according to a report from Budapest. All flour mills have been put under government supervision.

The entire estate in this country of Mrs. Lily Busch, widow of Adolphus Busch, late millionaire brewer, of St. Louis, has been taken over by the government under the alien property law.

his fight to go to France in command ernment in running down agents by of troops, temporarily at least, when whom they have been approached. orders were issued Wednesday reassigning him to train troops at Camp Funston, Kansas.

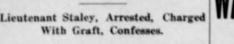
Award of the French cross of war to Private W. J. Guyton as the first American soldier to be killed on German soil, is announced by General Pershing. Guyton belonged to the American force operating in the Vosges.

Because of an unprecedented shortage of water in the Okanogan reclamation project in Northern Washington, department of the Interior has the asked congress for an appropriation of \$125,000 to pump water from a distance.

The senate by a vote of 51 to 11 Buchanan. former President.

What is claimed to be the world's record production of marketable potatoes on one acre, 49,531 pounds, or 825 bushels, has been made on an acre tract of land near Kanab, in the southeastern section of Utah, just a few miles from the Arizona state line.

E. P. Fry, a Goulding Creek, Mont ... farmer, has been sentenced to serve although the date already is in sight six months in jail on his confession when it will become necessary to rethat he sold seed wheat he obtained plenish the class I reservoir.



Washington, D. C .- The trail of the overnment's pursuit of illegal profiteers on war contracts Wednesday led to the arrest in New York of Lieutenant James C. Staley, a reserve army officer, on a charge of accepting money from the Truefit Raincoat company, of New York, for the contract which he

promised to procure. After being arrested, Lieutenant Staley made a complete confession of his part in the transaction, department of Justice officials said, and gave much valuable information, which may lead to the detection of other cases of fraud. He will be tried by court mar-

tial. The arrest was made by agents of the department of Justice, who had followed the officer during his inspection of the plant of the raincoat company, whose proprietors acted in cooperation with the government to detect the fraud.

The secret agents arrested Staley mmediately after he was said to have

ing nearly \$250,000.

This was the first arrest of an army officer since the department of Justice started its investigation into the system by which contingent fee agents have made millions by obtaining concharged a commission. Other arrests number of contractors in New York Major General Leonard Wood lost and elsewhere are assisting the gov-

U. S. TO HAVE ARMY OF 4.000.000 SOON

**Expansion Planned to Meet New Needs** and Draft Decisions Are Upset-

Age Extension Necessary.

Washington, D. C. - The present chedule of the War department is said to contemplate the arming of 4,-000,000 men by next January 1. That

would mean the calling of 1,000,000 men betwen July and January, and the adopted a house resolution authorizing absorbing not only of the men remainthe erection in a public park in Wash- ing in class 1 from the first registraington, D. C., of a statue of James tion, but of those placed in that class Senators opposing the under the recent registration, as well resolution attacked the loyalty of the as some 200,000 expected to be put in

that class as the result of the reclassification recently ordered. Should congress decide that it is

necessary at this time to extend the draft age limits below 21 or above 30, or both, no opposition will be offered by the War department.

In authorizing this statement, Secretary Baker said the department could see no immediate need for such action,

from the county to assist him in spring A bill by Senator France, of Mary-Fry was arrested on com- land, to extend the draft to men from tary committee, and at a hearing on it for the safety of foreigners and their last Saturday, Provost Marshal General Crowder gave it as his opinion that extension of the draft ages would be necessary. All previous estimates of the depart-



Belligerent Acts of Moslems in Persia Thought to Justify.

# LOOT U. S. HOSPITAL

American Consulate at Tabriz Attacked

by Invading Mussulmans-Spanish Consul Makes Protest.

Washington, D. C. - An attack by Turkish troops on the American Consulate at Tabriz, Persia, and the looteccived a sum of money from Joshua ing of an American missionary hos-Rosenthal and Louis Wener, proprie-tors of the plant. pital in that city, reported to the State department Wednesday, was be-It was charged that he had told lieved in some quarters here to prethem he would expect more money as sage the long-anticipated declaration soon as they got the contracts which of the existence of a state of war be they sought for 50,000 raincoats cost- tween the United States and the Ottoman empire.

Diplomatic relations between the two governments have been suspended since April 20, 1917, when Turkey withdrew Abdul Hak Hussein Bey, who had been acting as charge of the tracts for manufacturers who were Turkish embassy here since the compulsory retirement of the regular ammay follow soon, as it is known that a bassador, which followed his open criticism of the United States.

Necessarily, American Ambassador Morgenthau was obliged to leave Constantinople, and since that time the relations between the two governments have been just short of actual formal enmity.

Recently there have been vigorous f a state of war between the United States and Turkey and Bulgaria, but President Wilson and the State department have not regarded this step as necessary or desirable, since there has been no actual collision between American and Turkish and Bulgarian troops. On the face of the reports from

American Minister Caldwell at Teheran, officials were inclined to believe was writing to an insect firm, so when that the sacking of the American hos- the runner passed me I engaged him pital, a Presbyterian institution, over in conversation and got a glimpse at the protest of the Spanish consul in the address on the envelope. It was charge as representative of American addressed to Miss Alice Somebody, In interests, furnished the necessary London. The "runner" informed me provocation for open hostilities beween America and Turkey.

have been stationed in the hospital love letter during a "cootle" hunt; but were believed to have left Tabriz such is the creed of the trenches. before the Turkish troops arrived.

Gordon Paddock, the American consul in that city, reported to the department last May 29 that he and all of the Americans and British were prepared to leave the city before the advancing Turkish army, consequently it disks issued to us. These were small was not believed that Americans actu-

ally were molested.



a loud voice, he asked, "Empey, aren't

wearing our tin hats, and the march

to church began. After marching about

five kilos, we turned off the road into

an open field. At one end of this field

the chaplain was standing in a limber.

We formed a semicircle around him.

Overhead there was a black speck cir-

ling round and round in the sky. This

was a German Fokker. The chaplain

had a book in his left hand-left eye

on the book-right eye on the sirplane.

We Tommles were lucky, we had no

books, so had both eyes. on the air-

After church parade we were

marched back to our billets, and played

CHAPTER IV.

For the next ten days we "rested,"

One morning we were informed that

we were going up the line, and our

repairing roads for the Frenchles, drill-

ing, and digging bombing trenches.

"Into the Trench."

football all afternoon.

# EMPEY GETS INTO THE FRONT LINE TRENCH-AND WISHES HE WERE BACK IN JERSEY CITY.

Synopsis .- Fired by the sinking of the Lusitania, with the loss of American lives, Arthur Guy Empey, an American living in Jersey City, goes to England and enlists as a private in the British army. After a short experience as a recruiting officer in London, he is sent to training quarters in France, where he first hears the sound of big guns and makes the acquaintance of "cooties."

CHAPTER II .- Continued.

The greatest shock a recruit gets when he arrives at his battallon in France is to see the men engaging in a "cootie" hunt. With an air of contempt and disgust he avoids the company of the older men, until a couple of days later, in a torment of itching. he also has to resort to a shirt hunt. or spend many a sleepless night of misery. During these hunts there are tots of pertinent remarks bandled back and forth among the explorers, such as, "Say, Bill, I'll swap you two little ones for a big one," or, "I've got a

Bill.' One sunny day in the front-line trench, I saw three officers sitting outside of their dugout ("cooties" are no respecters of rank ; I have even noticed a suspicious uneasiness about a certain well-known general), one of them was emands in congress for a declaration a major, two of them were exploring their shirts, paying no attention to the occasional shells which passed overhead. The major was writing a letter; every now and then he would lay aside his writing-pad, search his shirt for a few minutes, get an inspiration, and then resume writing. At last he fin-Ished his letter and gave it to his "runner." I was curious to see whether he

> The next morning the draft was inspected by our general, and we were

assigned to different companies. The that Miss Somebody was the major's boys in the brigade had nicknamed sweetheart and that he wrote to her this general Old Pepper, and he cer-American doctors and nurses who every day. Just imagine it, writing a tainly earned the sobriquet. I was assigned to B company with another American named Stewart.

CHAPTER III.

I Go to Church.

Upon enlistment we had identity march began. disks of red fiber worn around the neck It took us three days to reach reby means of a string. Most of the Tomserve billets-each day's march bring-Some officials pointed out that since mies also used a little metal disk which ing the sound of the guns nearer and the attacks on the consulate and hos- they wore around the left wrist by nearer. At night, way off in the dispital occurred in Persia, the United means of a chain. They had previous- tance we could see their flashes, which piece of shell had gone through his ly figured it out that if their heads lighted up the sky with a red glare.

singing one of Tommy's trench ditties: I want to go home, I want to go home, I don't want to go to the trenches no more Where sausages and whizz-bangs are ga-

we were marching along, laughing, and

Iore. Take me over the sea, Where the Alle-mand can't get at me, Oh, my, I don't want to die, I want to go home-"

when overhead came a "swish" through the air, rapidly followed by three others. Then about two hundred yards to our left in a large field, four columns of black earth and smoke rose into the air, and the ground trembled from the report-the explosion of four German five-nine's, or "coalboxes." A sharp whistle blast, immediately followed by two short ones, rang out from the head of our column. This was to take up ... "artillery formation." We divided into small squads and went into the fields on the right and left of the road, and crouched on the ground. No other shells followed this salvo. It was our first baptism by shell fire. From the waist up I was all enthusiasm, but from there down, everything was missing. I thought I should die with fright.

After awhile, we reformed into columns of fours, and proceeded on our way.

About five that night, we reached the ruined village of H----, and I got my first sight of the awful destruction caused by German Kultur.

Marching down the main street we came to the heart of the village, and took up quarters in shellproof cellars (shellproof until hit by a shell). Shells were constantly whistling over the vilinge and bursting in our rear, searching for our artillery.

These cellars were cold, damp and smelly, and overrun with large ratabig black fellows. Most of the Tommies slept with their overcoats over their faces. I did not. In the middle of the night I woke up in terror. The cold, clammy feet of a rat had passed over my face. I immediately smothered myself in my overcoat, but could not sleep for the rest of that night.

Next evening, we took over our sector of the line. In single file we wended our way through a zigzag communication trench, six inches deep with mud. This trench was called "Whisky street." On our way up to the front line an occasional flare of bursting shrapnel would light up the sky and we could hear the fragments slapping the ground above us on our right and left. Then a Fritz would traverse back and forth with his "typewriter" or machine gun. The bullets made a sharp cracking noise overhead. The boy in front of me named Prentice crumpled up without a word. A shrapnel-proof helmet. I felt sick and

In about thirty minutes we reached

Every now and then a German star

shell would pierce the blackness out

### In an angry tone, he commanded, "Don't you 'yep' me. Say, 'Yes, ser-geant major.'" "I did so. Somewhat mollified, he ordered, "Outside for church parade."

plane.

you C, of E.?"

I answered, "Yep."

I looked up and answered, "I am not going to church this morning." He said, "Oh, yes, you are !" I answered, "Oh, no, I'm not !"-But went. We lined up outside with rifles and bayonets, 120 rounds of ammunition.

black one here that looks like Kaiser

planting. plaint of his father, who knew of the 18 to 45 is now before the senate miliact.

A movement is afoot in Germany for the organization of strikes because of the decreased bread ration, says a dispatch to the Central News from Amsterdam. The situation, it is said, is so serious that Socialist trade unions have considered it necessary to warn the workers, but the latter have taken no notice of the warning.

Arrested in Bethlehem, Pa., on a charge of violating the trading-with- classes. the-enemy act by conspiring to smuggle a mysterious message into Denmark, Charles Strangeland, a widelyknown political economist and until recently second secretary of the American embassy in London, was held in \$10,000 bail by the Federal authorities.

The capture of Jeremiah O'Leary, Irish-American leader, under indictment in New York, on a chicken ranch near Portland, Or., will be followed soon by arrest of a number of other Irish agitators in the United States on charges of treason or espionage. The friendship to the United States and government has considerable undisclosed evidence against O'Leary and his companions, it is said.

William G. Russell, of Lubbock, 10 years in the state penitentiary. Russell is a banker and cattle man of Lubbock.

Ivan Bradbury, a 14-year-old boy, of Manley Strayer, daughter and son of Senator W. H. Strayer, with a raft after they had gone beyond their depth in a slough where they were bathing, saved the lives of both children.

arrived in Seattle to rest before her she will stop in the city during the week and make the 120 miles to the camp and back daily by automobile.

committed suicide in Chicago by shooting. In his hand was a note addressed Miss Evelyn Rae, Morrison hotel, Chicago.

Unofficial estimates by naval experts show that in excess of 500,000 tons of shipping sunk by submarines may be re-floated as a result of saloperations conducted by Great Britain and the other allied governments. American naval engineers are to be sent to assist in this work, takment. Ludendorff.

ment relating to man power have been based solely upon the men in class 1. General Crowder stated specifically in his report on the first draft that it

to refrain from touching the other

The present emergency, however, with its resultant demands for the speedy organization of forces far in excess of the number contemplated, have upset these decisions. Officials here have always declared

of class 1 and class 2, from the viewpoint of eligibility for service, was too minute to be seriously considered.

#### Venezuela Friend of U.S.

Washington, D. C. - Venezuela's freedom from German influence were affirmed by Dr. Santos A. Dominici, Venezuelan minister here, in a statement commenting upon a published Tex., was found guilty of the murder statement by Dr. Carlos Lopez Buslaof Charles Qualey and sentenced to manti, Venezuelan editor, who recently came to America with a story of German intrigue and control in the Latin-American country. The minister said:

"There is no truth in the statement Baker Or., by reaching Nadie and that Venezuela is pro-German. The government is very friendly to you."

#### Honolulu Troops Shiver.

Camp Lewis, Tacoma-First infantry troops who recently arrived at Sarah Bernhardt, the actress, has Murray, near here, from Honolulu, are rains, according to reports received getting their first real night's rest in here at headquarters of district No. 1 engagement at Camp Lewis, Tacoma, six years. Though the temperature in of the United States forest service. next week. According to her manager the day is approximately the same as

First Lieutenant Ray E. Schleker, on for a supply of quilts and sweaters. quartermaster's department, U. S. A., About 1280 quilts were supplied the all fires are now under control. soldiers from the tropics.

#### Hindenburg in Hospital.

Billings, Mont. - Flood damage at Geneva-The Tribune says it learns Forsyth, Mont., where the Yellowstone from a reliable source that Field Mar- river is out of its banks, may total shal von Hindenburg is suffering from \$250,000, District Judge Jones, of that an acute nervous disease; that his town, said here Thursday. He said mental capacity is much affected, and many houses were surrounded and that he is confined in a private sani-tarium. The paper adds that Hinden- the court house. All women and chilburg took no responsible part in the dren have been removed from the town. ing with them a fleet of powerful recent offensive on the western front, Only two eating places were not floodseagoing tugs, scows and other equip- the work being done chiefly by General ed, Judge Jones said, and there is dan-

States must first hold the Persian government to account, as it is responsible properties within its borders.

BAD MEAT OFFERED, CHARGE

by Government Inspectors.

New York - Men of the American navy and the naval reserve would have would be the policy of his department been served with great quantities of decayed meat but for the vigilance of nspection officers who rejected it as unfit for human consumption, according to evidence given here Thursday before the Federal Trade commission. The testimony was brought out during the inquiry which the commission

is conducting into charges that Wilson that the difference between members & Co., packers, sold "bad" hams to the government. Naval officers also testified that

the packers had asked "exhorbitant" prices in bids furnished hams to the navy, with the result that a commandeering order was issued at prices fixed by the government.

After Captain Charles Williams, navy pay director, had described his refusal to accept 492,074 pounds of hams, which he said was "musty, mouldy, marrow-sour or just plain shouted: sour." Thomas E. Wilson, president of the company, denied that his firm had ever knowingly delivered tainted meat to the army or navy.

### Forest Fire Menace Abating.

Missoula, Mont .- The forest fire situation in Montana, Idaho and western Washington has improved greatly during the last day or two, thanks to cooler weather and fairly heavy local

Only two new fires, both of them in Hawaii, the men soon found that small blazes, started by lightning, in they were not equipped for Washington the Coeur d'Alene reserve, were renights, and the Red Cross was called ported, and news from the Kaniksu, Flathead and Helena forests is that

#### Loss May Reach \$250,000.

ger of a scarcity of food.

were blown off, the disk on the left wrist would identify them. If they lost their left arm the disk around the neck would serve the purpose, but if their head and left arm were blown off, no

one would care who they were, so it did not matter. On one side of the Wilson & Co., Packers, Hams Rejected disk was inscribed your rank, name, number and battallon, while on the other was stamped your religion.

> C. of E., meaning Church of England; R. C., Roman Catholic; W., Wesleyan; P., Presbyterian; but if you happened to be an athelst they left it blank, and just handed you a pick and shovel. On my disk was stamped C. of E. This is how I got it: The lieutenant who enlisted me asked my religion. I was not sure of the religion of the British army, so I answered, "Oh, any old thing," and he promptly put down C. of E.

> Now, just imagine my hard luck. Out to pick the only one where church parade was compulsory!

The next morning was Sunday. to my sister telling her of my wonderful exploits while under fire-all recruits do this. The sergeant major put his head in the door of the billet and line and learnt something." "C. of E. outside for church parade !"

I kept on writing. Turning to me, in-

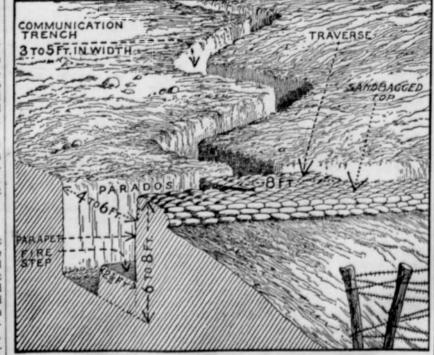


Diagram Showing Typical Front-Line and Communication Trenches

Against the horizon we could see weak. numerous observation balloons or "sauthe front line. It was dark as pitch.

sages" as they are called. On the afternoon of the third day's march I witnessed my first airplane being shelled. A thrill ran through me and I gazed in awe. The airplane was making wide circles in the air, while little puffs of white smoke were bursting all around it. These puffs appeared like tiny balls of cotton while after each burst could be heard a duil "plop." The sergeant of my platoon informed us that it was a German airplane and I wondered how he could tell from such a distance because the plane seemed like a little black speck in the sky. I expressed my doubt as to whether it was English, French or German. With a look of contempt he further informed us that the allied antiaircraft shells when exploding emitted

white smoke while the German shells of five religions I was unlucky enough gave forth black smoke, and, as he expressed it, "It must be an Allemand because our pom-poms are shelling, and

I know our batteries are not off their was sitting in the billet writing home bally nappers and are certainly not strafeing our own planes, and another piece of advice-don't chuck your weight about until you've been up the

> I immediately quit "chucking my weight about" from that time on. Just before reaching reserve billets

in front with its silvery light. I was trembling all over, and felt very lonely and afraid. All orders were given in whispers. The company we relieved filed past us and disappeared into the blackness of the communication trench leading to the rear. As they passed us, they whispered, "The best o' luck mates." I sat on the fire step of the trench with the rest of the men. In each traverse two of the older men had been put on guard with their heads sticking over the top, and with their eyes try-

ing to pierce the blackness in "No Man's Land." In this trench there were only two dugouts, and these were used by Lewis and Vickers machine gunners, so it was the fire step for ours. Pretty soon it started to rain. We put on our "macks," but they were not much protection. The rain trickled down our backs, and it was not long before we were wet and cold. How I passed that night I will never know, but without any unusual occurrence, dawn arrived.

The word "stand down" was passed along the line, and the sentries got down off the fire step. Pretty soon the rum issue came along, and it was a Godsend. It warmed our chilled bodies and put new life into us. Then from communication trenches came the dixles or iron pots, filled with steaming tea, which had two wooden stakes through their handles, and were carried by two men. I filled my canteen and drank the hot tea without taking it from my lips. It was not long before I was asleep in the mud on the fire step.

My ambition had been attained! I was in a front-line trench on the western front, and oh, how I wished I were back in Jersey City.

the firing step of the trench while the machine gun bullets whiz over his head. He soon learns why Tommy has adopted the motto, "If you're going to get it, you'll get it, so never worry." Don't miss the next installment.

#### (TO BE CONTINUED.)

No one can kill time in these strenuous days without also slaying his own opportunities.

Empey takes his first turn on

