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## NEW AMERICAN ARMY JOINING BRITISHERS

### IN TRAINING AREA WITH THE FORCES BLOCKING GERMAN NORTHWESTERN DRIVE

## KEEPING HUMS FROM CHANNEL

### American Troops Not Detached From Pershing's Command—Part of New Movement

With the American Army in France, May 17.—Troops of the new American army have arrived within the zone of British forces in northern France, and are now completing their training in the area occupied by the troops which are blocking the Germans in their effort to reach the English channel ports.

Washington, May 17.—The troops referred to as the "new American army," are forces being brigaded with the British, and are probably in Flanders. They are not troops detached from General Pershing's forces, but are a part of the new movement of troops from the United States, as forecasted by Lloyd George recently.

## GERMANY WOULD START A REVOLUTION IN ITALY

Washington, May 17.—Revolutionary documents and bombs and firearms of German origin designed for distribution in Italy, have been seized recently by the Zurich police, says an official dispatch today to the Italian embassy.

## ITALIAN KILLED IN AMERICAN AIRPLANE

New York, May 17.—Captain Antonio Silvio Resnati of the Royal Italian flying corps was killed today at the Hempstead flying field. The captain was testing an American built Caproni plane carrying 60 bombs. The machine rose 600 feet and crumpled, falling backward. Resnati, who was strapped to his seat, was crushed by the engine.

Resnati recently made a round trip flight from Washington to New York in a 10 passenger plane.

## ALLIED TROOPS CAPTURE TEXT OF PROPOSED GERMAN "PEACE" TERMS

With the French Army in France, Wednesday Night, May 15.—Germany's conditions of peace are clearly stated in a document found in a German trench that was recently recaptured by entente allied troops. A resume of the principal conditions as given in an official translation reads: "After the enormous sacrifices we have made of our blood and property we exact as a necessary minimum to the preservation and development of Germany, the following: "Belgium, especially the Flanders coast, with Antwerp, is to remain under German military, economic and political dependence.

"Liberty of the east shall be properly established for all nations, the central powers being allowed a commercial fleet totalling 17,800,000 tons, while that of the allies' should amount to 10,900,000 tons. "Our colonies shall be returned with augmentation. "We are to have more numerous and stronger naval stations.

## SENATE LEADERS DELAY ACTION

### President's Objection Postpones Chamberlain Resolution Until Monday

Washington, May 17.—President Wilson's unswerving opposition to the Chamberlain resolution prevailed in the senate today when leaders on both sides agreed not to bring the resolution up until Monday. In the meanwhile some sort of a compromise is considered likely.

Washington, May 17.—President Wilson has authorized Secretary Tamm to deny that he is opposed to the aircraft investigation by the senate military committee, and to announce that he objects to the "covert" purpose of the Chamberlain resolution, because he knows its purpose.

## TWENTY-ONE ARE CALLED IN DRAFT

The local board has received notice that 21 men are called from Josephine county to be sent to Ft. McDowell, Cal., within the five day period beginning May 31.

The board has not been informed as to the exact date of entrainment but it is believed the men will be called about May 31.

The list of men called to the service follows:

- Roy Frederick McFarlin.
- Robert Earl McCallister.
- Fred Crittiser.
- Anton Edward Miller.
- William Fred Herman.
- Charles Lawrence.
- George Linton Hays Caldwell.
- Kenneth Lester Vinyard.
- Roy York.
- Donald Graham.
- Harry Kincaid.
- Hobart Ralph Gilliland.
- William I. Powers.
- Bertie Francis Harmon.
- Joseph Henry Campbell.
- Sedley Floyd Borough.
- Willard Earl Crawford.
- Fred Frederick Costain.
- Roy William Peterson.
- Henry Hess.
- Lory Miller.

Alternates

- William Albert Gran.
- Charles James Cotton.
- Marion Baldwin.
- George Alfred Sargent.

## THIRD LIBERTY LOAN GREATLY OVER SUBSCRIBED

Washington, May 17.—Unofficial reports put the third Liberty loan well above \$4,000,000,000.

## UNCIVILIZED WARFARE IS RESORTED TO

### HUNS PLANT INFERNAL MACHINES IN NO MAN'S LAND TO STOP PATROLS

## AIRMEN DOWNS TWO FLYERS

### Lieutenant Rickenbacher, Recently Decorated by French, Attacks Three Planes

With the American Army in France, May 17.—German forces opposite the Americans in the sector northwest of Toul are resorting to infernal machines to check the activities of the American patrols. An American stepped on a wire which exploded a concealed bomb, injuring several in his patrol group.

With the American Army in France, May 17.—An American aviator northwest of Toul brought down another German airplane this morning. Lieutenant Rickenbacher, formerly an automobile racer, attacked three enemy planes and brought down one of them.

Rickenbacher was recently decorated with the French war cross for bravery.

## OMAHA HAS "SOME" LAW AGAINST LOAFING

Omaha, May 17.—The Omaha police today started arresting all idlers under a new state law passed at a special session of the legislature.

The penalty is a fine up to \$10,000 or imprisonment from one to 30 years. Anyone not working, who refuses to accept useful employment, will be declared guilty of sedition and arrested.

## AMERICAN AIRMEN DESCRIBES BATTLE WITH GERMAN PLANES

With the American Army in France, May 17.—Captain David Peterson of Honesdale, Pa., and Captain Kenneth Marr, California, the heroes in the aerial battle Wednesday in which Captain Peterson shot down two German monoplane and Captain Marr destroyed an enemy biplane in the Toul sector, related their stories of the battle today.

"I was flying near Thiacourt at an altitude of 5,000 meters," said Captain Peterson. "When I saw two German Albatross scouts going away at right angles in the distance. One was ahead of the other. I ascended 200 meters higher, circled and stopped my engine and darted after them. I finally got close to the last plane. At a distance of 100 yards I opened fire and the German machine almost immediately burst into flames and fell.

"I continued straight on my course," he continued, "and, within two minutes had the other enemy machine before me. He started a quick dive, but I am certain that some of the bullets went home. One of the wings of his machine crumpled up at the same moment. As I circled about I saw one machine burning on the ground and the other smoking in its downward plunge, crash to the earth. That is all there is to it. It was a cinch."

Captain Marr was flying at an altitude of 2,000 meters when he saw an enemy machine over the American lines.

"As I opened up my motor and away, circling out from our line amid a cloud of puff balls from our 'Archies,'" he said. "I circled out wider, and finally passed the Ger-

## BRITISH AIR MEN DESTROY 15 GERMANS

### SIX OTHER ENEMY PLANES ARE FORCED DOWN OUT OF CONTROL BY ALLIED AIRMEN

## AWAITING HINDENBURG'S MOVE

### Belief at British Headquarters That the Next Great Battle Will Be the Crucial Test of the War

With the British Army, May 17.—Ideal flying weather is reported in Flanders, but not good for German flyers. One British brigade yesterday destroyed 15 German planes and drove six others down out of control. The weather is perfect today also. The allies are still waiting for Hindenburg to show his hand. It is believed the next battle will be crucial.

London, May 17.—German artillery is increasingly active from Lecon to Hinges, along the western side in the Flanders salient, and between the forest of Nieppe and Metz.

America is contributing to the stiffening of the allied line in both Picardy and Flanders.

The renewal of a German thrust in Flanders shortly seems probably as guns are increasingly active in the Lys salient.

## MORE GERMAN "EFFICIENCY"

Amsterdam, May 17.—Germany is calling in her nickel coinage, the metal of which is needed for projectiles, and is substituting zinc for minting coins of this class.

Authority has just been given for the minting of 10,000,000 marks' worth of zinc 10-pfennig pieces.

man and turned again down our line. between the enemy and the sun. Both of us had the sun at our backs. "As I opened up my motor and drew nearer, I saw that I had a two seater to deal with. I thought that the German might see me or hear my motor, so I went a hundred meters lower, until right under the tail of his machine. Then I pointed the nose of my airplane upward and went on a level with the enemy, and opened fire at him at point-blank range. The German never knew I was there until incendiary bullets, alternating with ordinary missiles, began pattering through his machine. After 30 shots his machine toppled. I must have got a lucky shot home on the pilot. For the machine went down, wavering through the air like a leaf falling from a tree. I saw the observer standing up in the machine, trying to get his machine gun to bear on me, first from one side and then from the other. I certainly felt sorry for the helpless beggar. There he was, dashing to a certain death, but to the last gamely trying to give me a fight."

Captain Peterson and Captain Marr were standing on their flying field at daybreak this morning, as they spoke. It was a perfect day for flying and they were able to leave for a patrol over the enemy lines. As they started to their machines, Captain Marr said:

"Well, we're off again. Maybe we will get some more. Maybe they will get us. Anyway, it's a fine day for it. So long."

The motors started and the two airplanes, together with several other machines took the air and disappeared toward the front.

## ODESSA UNDER MARTIAL LAW

### Bolsheviki Troops Cross Caspian Sea and Capture Port of Baku From the Musselmans

London, May 17.—Martial law has been proclaimed in Odessa by the Austrian commandant at the request of the Germans. Fighting is reported in the streets of Kiev and residents are fleeing.

Constantinople, May 17.—Russian Bolsheviki troops have recaptured the port of Baku on the Caspian sea. The troops crossed on gunboats and attacked the Musselmans, who abandoned the town.

## CREEL APOLOGIZES FOR RECENT SPEECH

Washington, May 17.—Geo. Creel apologized today to congress for his much discussed recently New York speech, in which he was quoted as saying that he disliked slumming and would not explore the hearts of congressmen. He wrote to Chairman Pou of the rules committee, which was considering resolutions on the incident, saying, "I admit indiscretion, and regret it deeply."

## RUMANIAN ARMY IS ORDERED UNBANDIED

Amsterdam, May 17.—An order for the demobilization of the Rumanian army was published in the Official Gazette at Jassy on May 14. Alexander Marghiloman, Rumanian premier, while conversing with a Rumanian newspaper representative, said that Bessarabia, with the exception of a slight rectification of its northern frontier, would be joined to Rumania.

## FIFTEEN AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN ACTION

Washington, May 17.—One hundred and six names are on the casualty list. Fifteen were killed in action, four died of disease and eight are missing.

## CHAIN LETTERS TABOOED IN W. S. S. CAMPAIGN

Washington, May 17.—"Don't boost the sale of war savings stamps by means of chain letters." This request was made by officials of the treasury department Wednesday.

## TROOPS FIGHT HAND-TO-HAND ON AUSTRO-ITALIAN BATTLE FRONT

Vienna, May 17.—Bitter fighting between the Brenta and Piave rivers on the Italian front is reported in the official statement issued by the war office today. The statement reads:

"Between the Brenta and the Piave, several Italian reconnoitering thrusts were repulsed. As a result of these attacks, hand-to-hand fighting developed on Mont Asolone and Monte Pertica."

Among the rugged peaks of the Asiago plateau, east of the Brenta river, the Italian front has again flamed into violent action. The aggressive has been taken by the Italians, however, and the Austro-German forces, instead of launching their long-expected assault on the Italian lines, have been compelled to fight hard to maintain the positions where they have stood since last November.

The fighting seems to have centered on the comparatively short sector of the battle line between Monte Asolone and Monte Pertica. These two heights, about three miles apart, rise to an altitude of about 5,000

## CAMPAIGN FOR RED CROSS TO BEGIN SUNDAY

### HOPE TO HAVE COUNTY'S QUOTA SUBSCRIBED BY MONDAY NIGHT

## EVERYBODY TO WEAR BUTTON

### Committees Leave Sunday Night for County Work—Names Furnished Committee

A meeting was held last evening of all the team captains and committees engaged in the Red Cross drive for this county.

It was decided that the drive will be completed by Tuesday night. Town and country districts will be worked at the same time, several of the committees to leave Sunday to assist the branch auxiliary.

A complete list of names will be furnished to the various teams, who will solicit them on Monday.

It is expected that every citizen in Grants Pass and resident of the county of Josephine will possess and wear one of the celluloid buttons indicative of his contribution to the Red Cross drive. Any person discovered not wearing one of these badges after Tuesday will be reported to the nearest solicitor, whereupon he will immediately be interviewed.

It is the desire of these patriotic and public spirited citizens who are members of the teams, that the designated quota be subscribed by Monday night, in order that they may send in the report of Josephine county "going over the top" in this drive.

On Tuesday evening a meeting will be called of all team captains, solicitors and the executive committee in the Chamber of Commerce rooms for the final report and also to celebrate the occasion.

## CONCRETE SHIP IS EQUAL TO STEEL

Washington, May 17.—An official report says the concrete ship "Faith" on her trial trip proved herself equal, if not superior to steel ships.