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#### THE ARITHMETIC OF VICTORY

There is no question that the brilliant results gained by Gen. Foch's counterdrive were made possible solely through the presence of 1,000,000 American troops in France. Not more than a quarter of that number, perhaps, have actually been in battle, and it is not likely that any more than an equal number were engaged in transport, engineering work, etc., back of the lines. Half a million or more, then, may be assumed to have taken no part whatever, directly or indirectly, in the allied counter-offensive, because their training was not fully completed, or because they were held as ultimate reserves. The presence, however, of that surplus half-million was a guarantee of security which helped to make the blow possible.

Everyone by this time realizes the enormous value of Foch's drive to the allied cause. And every observer is moved to this reflection:

If we can accomplish so much when we have only a million men in France, and half of them fresh arrivals, at a time when the German army is supposedly at the height of its power, what can we not accomplish when we have twice that number of trained troops on the ground, and the Germans are weaker in numbers and lower in morale, as they will surely be? And who can stand against Foch's legions when he has 4,000,000 or 5,000,000 Americans available?

We have more than a million and a quarter of men in France today. We shall surely have 2,000,000 there before the present fighting season ends. We shall have no less than 3,000,000 ready for business when the campaign opens next spring. We can continue pouring Yankees into France throughout next summer as we have done in the past two months. If necessary, we can have 4,000,000 trained men there before the fall of 1919. France, Britain and Italy, we may assume, will maintain their fighting efficiency at or near the present level. We represent practically clear gain.

A new phase of the war has definitely opened. It is the American phase and it marks the beginning of the last chapter of German domination. Final victory is absolutely assured. It is only a question of the time it will take to complete what was begun in the middle of this July. That time will be determined by the rapidity with which we land troops in France ready for action. Henceforth, the war is a comparatively simple problem in arithmetic.

#### THE BIG FACT

Perhaps the biggest news of the last few days has not been the announcement of the French-American victory between the Aisne and the Marne, important as it was, but the story of how the Americans fought.

They were on trial, thousands of miles from home, on a vast stage with the eyes of the world on them. We knew that the way they met the test would determine not only their honor and ours but the fate of civilization and the future of the world.

They have met the test in a way beyond all praise. Our allies are exuberant in their delight and approval. We ourselves, with all our confidence in them, never imagined that they would fight as well as they do.

It is still almost incredible, despite all the accumulated proof, that young men taken from civilian life and given but a few months training, men who had never seen a battle before, most of whom indeed had never been under fire, could have plunged into that inferno with the courage and coolness they showed, and accomplished such results.

Never was there a more striking exemplification of the spirit and energy. Those lads were imbued with absolute determination to win. When it became advisable to retreat, large numbers of them refused. They were there to kill Germans, they said, and they were going to stay where the

Germans were and kill them. They did that very thing. They fought singly or in small groups, performing amazing feats of individual enterprise and capturing great numbers of prisoners. When captured themselves, they stubbornly refused to stay captured. Over and over again a man or a little group of men overcame their guards and fought their way back to their own lines, often bringing with them captives taken on the way. In the parlance of the Australians, whom our troops are said to resemble most, they "treated 'em rough." The Germans are said to be aggrieved at the treatment accorded them, and the failure of our soldiers to observe some of the rules of military etiquette—

such as to stay captured after the German fashion, instead of breaking away—but we can overlook that. The war is not yet won, but it is decided. The decision has been rendered in the fighting of the past week. The way our troops have fought has settled it. The road is still long and hard, but the end is in sight. We shall win, and win completely.

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The Lounge Lizards leap from their couches of clay,  
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An' it's ho! for th' blood of a Hun!  
An' it's yo! for the trusty ol' gun!  
For th' Heimies will suffer today!

"They've been killin' the wives of these brave little frogs,"  
Says one of the bunch of the ol' Devil Dogs,  
"So they won't get no mercy from me!  
If you watch, 'twill be killin' you'll see,  
For I used to help Pa slaughter hogs!"

They are off, to the music of seventy-fives!  
They seem to be having the time of their lives,  
Eyes fixed on the goal straight ahead!  
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So this is the latest in drives.

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