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Men of Regular Army
First to Carry Flag
in French Soil

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Experts On Both
Atlantic Opposed to
Plan As Impractical

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Washington, May 19.—Pershing's call of the president of the nation to arms, gave a real war thrill today. All men of the country bent to answer the call to service. The first mobilization of the nation in that date.

It was announced that the first 20,000 who will be chosen to be summoned before Sept. 1 the official announcement of the mobilization of the nation by General Pershing to the front at the earliest possible date. It is certain the American will be seen on the firing line, ready for the selective service.

Pershing's division is now being organized by the government. Veterans of the regular army with Pershing when the army was carried into the trenches, war department all hands are rounding up the supplies for the expedition.

It is expected that no details or speculations with regard to the mobilization of this command, dates of departure or other items be carried by the press, other than the official bulletins given out by the war department relative thereto.

General Pershing has been in Washington some days. He was personally summoned by Secretary Baker from the Southern department, which was under his command until last night's order was issued.

The Roosevelt incident. There was, particularly at the capital, some commendation and some criticism of the president's attitude regarding the Roosevelt volunteers issue.

The president issued the following statement at the white house: "I shall not avail myself, at any rate at the present stage of the war, of the authorization conferred by the act to organize volunteer divisions."

The prompt creation and early use of a volunteer army would contribute practically nothing to the effective strength of the armies now engaged against Germany.

"I understand that this section of the act which authorizes the creation of volunteer divisions in addition to the draft was added with a view to providing an independent command for Mr. Roosevelt and giving the military authorities an opportunity to use his fine vigor and enthusiasm in recruiting the forces now at the western front."

"It would be very agreeable to me to pay Mr. Roosevelt this compliment and the allies the compliment of sending to their aid one of our most distinguished public men, a former president who has rendered many complex public services and proved his gallantry in many striking ways."

Not Time for Compliments. "Politically, too, it would no doubt have a very fine effect and make a profound impression. But this is not the time nor the occasion for compliments or for any action not calculated to contribute to the immediate success of the war."

"The business now in hand is undramatic, practical and scientific definiteness and precision. "I shall act with regard to it as every step and in every particular under expert and professional advice, from both sides of the water. That advice is that the men most needed are men of the ages contemplated in the draft provision of the present bill, not men of the age and sort contemplated in the section which authorizes the formation of volunteer units, and for the preliminary training of the men who are to be drafted we shall need all of our experienced soldiers."

Trained Officers Not Available. "Mr. Roosevelt told me, when I had the pleasure of seeing him a few weeks ago, that he would wish to have a great part of a clothin' store."



GENERAL PERSHING

ITALIANS CAPTURE PIVOTAL POINT OF AUSTRIAN FRONT

Fighting From Rock to Rock
Up Hill 652—Was Like
Old Time Warfare

AUSTRIAN DEFENSE OF MOST DESPERATE KIND

Austrian Loss Since Drive
Commenced 12,000—No
Change on Western Front

Rome, May 19.—Fighting literally from rock to rock and from ravine to ravine, with fierce hand to hand clinches alternating with cyclonic bursts of artillery, Italian troops have captured hill 652, pivotal point to the Teutons defenses north of Montebello.

Description of the battle as given in today's official statement showed the picturesque nature of the fighting as well as the tremendous natural obstacles of ground which General Cadorna's troops overcame.

"Yesterday afternoon we vigorously attacked with the object of capturing hill 652, the Vodice key to the enemy's defenses north of Montebello," the statement said. "The stubborn defense of the enemy made the attack a long and severe one. The fighting progressed from rock to rock," the statement continued.

"Expelling the enemy from trenches and taking caverns well protected by machine guns we reached the long contested heights. Strong counter attacks were successfully repulsed, our troops maintaining the position despite a concentrated fire from the fleeing enemy."

"During the advance we took 379 prisoners. East of Gorizia we maintained our positions which were repeatedly and persistently attacked by our enemy."

German Attacks Vain. Paris, May 19.—Renewal of Germany's concerted offensive in a formidable drive west of Braye was announced by the French official statement today. The attack was over a wide front. It was smashed by the French artillery except at one point to the west, where a few German groups succeeded in gaining French advanced positions.

The Braye attack was one of two assaults in force which the Germans flung against the French along the Soissons-Rheims front. The other was northwest of Rheims. There the enemy utilized liquid fire and preceded the attack by a tremendous storm of artillery.

For three days now the Germans have striven vainly around the Braye and Cronne sectors to force relinquishment by the French of some of the ground gained by General Nivelle's offensive. Their losses have been tremendous in these struggles.

"On Friday evening, following a heavy bombardment, the Germans launched an attack northwest of Braye on a wide front," the statement said. "Their assaulting waves were smashed by our artillery, without attaining the French lines, except at a point west, where a few groups gained French advanced positions."

Northwest of Rheims a German attack with liquid fire and artillery was checked."

As Austria Tells It. Vienna, May 18, via London, May 19.—Abandonment of Kuk hill, southeast of Plava, "after two days of the fiercest fighting," was announced in the Austrian official statement today.

"In the Gorizia region," the statement continued, "there were dense massed night attacks which were stopped. Around Montebello a strong attack in the morning was repelled in hand to hand fighting."

"So far we have taken 3000 prisoners."

2,600 MARINES TO GO WITH PERSHING TO FRENCH FRONT

Regiment Will Be Composed
of Organizations Serving
in Haiti and Cuba

WILL BE COMMANDED BY FIGHTING COL. DOYEN

Two Out of Nine Regiments
of Engineers Have Already
Been Raised

Washington, May 19.—A regiment of marines, about 2,600 men under command of Colonel Charles A. Doyen of the Washington barracks, will accompany the first American army expedition to France.

The regiment will be composed principally of organizations which have recently seen active service in Haiti, San Domingo and Cuba, according to official announcement from the navy department today.

They will be armed, equipped and organized similar to the army with which they will serve.

Colonel Doyen will be under command of Major General Pershing, and the marines with him will serve as soldiers in the trenches of France.

After making verbal announcement of the dispatch of the marines, Secretary of the Navy Daniels made the following official statement:

"A regiment of marines, consisting of 2,600 men will accompany the first expedition to France. The regiment will be commanded by Colonel Charles A. Doyen and will be composed principally of organizations which have been serving in Haiti, San Domingo and Cuba. This force will be armed, equipped and organized in exactly the same manner as the regiments of the army with which they will serve."

Always First to Fight. Doyen has also seen many years' service in the Philippine islands. The marines will live up to their traditions in accompanying the Pershing force. They have always been known as "the first to fight."

Reports to the war department to day showed that two out of the nine regiments of engineers for French service have been raised and that in the Pittsburgh district more men have applied than could be accepted.

Marine recruiting elsewhere is going along satisfactorily, it was said. A partial list of acceptances to the engineers' corps, follows:

Pittsburgh, 1,125.
New York, 651.
Detroit, 500.
St. Louis, 300.
Philadelphia, 300.
San Francisco, 29.
Chicago, 11.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2 IS BARGAIN DAY

Not a legal holiday, but an event that will live in local history, is the promise made for Salem's first Bargain Day, Saturday June 2.

The Capital Journal and Statesman have promised to cooperate with the local merchants in giving the proper publicity.

Market More Cheerful Price Changes Small

New York, May 19.—The New York Evening Sun financial review today said:

May's reversion to sanity in the matter of weather was, perhaps, as much a factor as anything in today's short session of the stock market. Much of the normal week end settlement of accounts was accomplished yesterday and it is quite generally agreed that the present technical position of securities leave little to be desired for the Sunday recess. Commission houses were largely deserted and attendance on the floor of the stock exchange was restricted. In consequence trading was quiet and narrow, with price changes among the standard industrial and railroad issues lacking in significance. Firmness underlay that market alike in stocks and bonds.

Sentiment continues cheerful. Wall Street feels confident that the revenue bill with its retroactive provisions and other features generally regarded as defective, will be radically altered before it reaches the statute books. The real business of the liberty loan flotation is well under way. The Russian duma pledges its loyalty to the allies and there is promise of an early offensive on the Russian fronts.

BANDITS GET \$7,000 AND FOUR VICTIMS

Chicago, May 19.—Three men were shot and one other badly beaten by five automobile bandits today, who held up three men at the Racine street exit of the Metropolitan elevated and escaped with a \$7,000 payroll of the Stein Garter company.

The victims were: Jack Byers, special policeman of the Garter company, shot through back and leg, will probably die.

Frank Jones, laborer, a bystander, shot through leg.

I. J. Mooney, special policeman of the Merchant's Trust company, shot through body and beaten.

Byers, Mooney and Weisner were returning from the bank with the payroll in a satchel from the elevated entrance into the street, an automobile containing five men dashed up. Four of them attacked the group guarding the payroll, while the other remained in the machine.

Jones, who was passing, joined in the struggle, but in a few seconds all four defending the money had been put out of business. The bandits leaped into the machine and sped away.

MAY BUY SHIPS

Washington, May 19.—The senate today approved the drastic shipping section of the war budget bill authorizing President Wilson to spend \$500,000,000 immediately in buying and building vessels for use in the war.

The bill empowers the president to make contracts, fix prices and if necessary commandeer plants engaged in the production of vessels or parts thereof.

TO END WITH THE WAR

Washington, May 19.—Starting today enlistment for the regular army or national guard will contain the specific stipulation that they cover only the period of the war. This is based on orders issued today, although all recent enlistments have been with the tacit understanding that the service would be concluded at the end of the war.

Gamblers Again Force Price of Wheat Up

Chicago, May 19.—Continued covering by shorts and a better tone to the cash market today forced wheat up to 15 cents. July opened five under yesterday's close, at \$2.23, but worked up rapidly and closed at \$2.40. September was unchanged at the opening, but closed higher at \$2.17.

Corn followed the advance in wheat. July was down 1-4 at the opening, but closed 3-4 up at \$1.53 3-4. September opened 1-8 off and closed at \$1.48 1-4, a gain of a slight gain throughout the trading. July was up 1-4 at 66 3-8 at the opening and closed at 67 5-8. September also opened 1-4 up and closed at 57 3-8, a gain of 1-8.

Provisions were higher on a strong hog market.

ASKS NORTHWEST TO PUT ITS MONEY INTO THE SCALES

Secretary of Treasury McAdoo Starts Campaign for Raising Funds

SAYS LOANING MONEY WILL BOOST BUSINESS

Nathan Strauss Blisters Gotham's Swelldom, and Makes It Gasp

St. Paul, Minn., May 19.—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo urged the northwest to throw its money as well as its grain into the scales for democracy in the world war at a mammoth luncheon attended by 1,000 bankers, public officials and business men of the northwest today.

Greeted at the union station by a committee of 500, including Governor Burnquist, representatives of governors of Wisconsin, the Dakotas, Montana and Iowa, Secretary McAdoo plunged into a whirlwind program expected to boom the sale of liberty loan bonds throughout the northwest.

"Our allies have been fighting nearly three years for a cause that is as much ours as theirs. They have built up the most wonderful fighting machine that the world has ever known, but their food productions have suffered at the expense of greater military efficiency," McAdoo said.

"It is up to us to render the quickest aid that can be provided and our first opportunity to aid is to supply the wherewithal to buy food. We must not only finance the needs of our own government, but we must help the allied governments."

McAdoo explained also that it would be his policy to deposit the money procured by the sale of these bonds in the community in which it originates. The \$41,000,000 to be subscribed in Minnesota will be redeposited in Minnesota banks and will be used to extend credit to the allies, who will thus be able to come into Minnesota markets and buy Minnesota productions.

"I believe that business will be stimulated rather than retarded by this loan," McAdoo said.

Talked to "Sassietty." New York, May 19.—Nathan Strauss' blistering arraignment of Gotham's ultra wealthy for "their paltry war relief donations," hurled at a meeting of high society charity workers in the home of Miss Anne Morgan, left New York's exclusive set gasping today.

"Let me speak," demanded Strauss, interrupting a report at the meeting of the National League for Women's Service at the Morgan home. "The rich people have acted shamefully. The few paltry donations of \$1,000 each have come from men who have made millions out of this war."

Strauss denounced "that man who recently gave \$200,000 for a picture." Charles M. Schwab did that not long ago.

Miss Grace Parker, national commandant of the league, quickly apologized to the rich, saying Strauss was airing his own views, not those of the league.

Several wealthy women haughtily departed after Strauss' tirade. James W. Gerard and George W. Wickersham, also present, sat through the meeting silent.

Greatest War Budget In History of Country Passed by Congress

Washington, May 19.—The greatest war budget in the history of the United States, carrying \$5,342,364,131.22, was passed by the senate today.

The bill provides appropriations for the military and naval establishment and authorized unlimited power to the president in purchasing and construction of merchant ships.

PRESIDENT SETS JUNE FIFTH AS DAY FOR REGISTERING

"Duty of All to See Name of
Every Male, of Age, Is
Written on Honor List"

NOT HOLIDAY BUT ONE OF PATRIOTIC DEVOTION

Face of War Changed and Instead of Armies, Whole Nations Are Armed

PORTENTOUS PARAGRAPHS IN PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION

All men between ages of 21 and 30, inclusive, must register. Any person failing to register or who registers falsely shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. In case of temporary absence from his legal residence, a man must register by mail. Hours of registration shall be between 7 a. m. and 7 p. m., June 5, 1917, at the registration place in their home precincts.

Those who are too ill to register are required to apply for instructions before June 5 as to how they may register by agents.

Those absent from home on June 5 shall, when in cities of over 30,000 population, apply to the city clerk of the city where in they may be sojourning.

That registration day, while not a holiday, shall be made "a great day of patriotic devotion and obligation when the duty shall lie upon every man to see to it that the name of every male person of the designated ages is written on the list of honor."

Washington, May 19.—President Wilson's proclamation putting into effect the selective draft provision of the war, army bill, signed last night, follows:

A proclamation by the president of the United States: Whereas, Congress has enacted and the president has, on the 18th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, approved the law which contains the following provisions:

Section 5.—That all male persons between the ages of 21 and 30, not inclusive, shall be subject to registration in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the president; and upon proclamation by the president or other public notice given by him or by his direction stating the time and place of such registration, it shall be the duty of all persons of the designated ages, except officers and enlisted men to the regular army, the navy and the National Guard and Naval Militia while in the service of the United States, to present themselves for and submit to registration under the provisions of this act, and every such person shall be deemed to have notice of the requirements of this act upon the publication of said proclamation or other notice as aforesaid given by the president or by his direction; and any person who shall wilfully fail or refuse to present himself for registration or submit thereto as a misdemeanor and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction in the district court of the United States having jurisdiction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, and shall thereupon be duly registered; provided that in the call of the docket precedence shall be given in courts trying the same to the trial of criminal proceedings under this act; provided further, that persons shall be subject to registration as herein provided who shall have attained their 21st birthday and who shall not have attained their 31st birthday on or before

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THE WEATHER

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THOSE GERMAN?

Oregon: Tonight and Sunday unsettled, probably showers; westerly winds.

NICARAGUA STANDS IN

Washington, May 19.—Nicaragua has broken relations with Germany, the state department announced today.