

Saves Plateau

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courage, devotion and supreme fighting uality spells poils. Stirned to the heart as am in this moment of writing, feeling the inforced injustice done it in hasty recording. I am, as if urged by something ir-resistible within ms, compelled to stop pounding there keys for a minute, rise, and, facing the fight still going on within my hearing, salute these Frenchmen in blue, who at Craonne and Casements and Califor-nia maintain the proud slogan, "They shall

not pass." (For eleven times this month, now twenty-two days old, the Germans have thrown great masses of fresh troops against the coveted plateau west of Craonne and nine times have they been completely repulsed. Today they stand just where they were twenty-two days'ago, with naught to show for their efforts but thousands and thousands of German dead. They do not hold a foot of trench they did not hold July 1. They did succeed in taking a trench or a piece of trench here and there, but they have been compelled to relinquish it com pletely before they could make themselves "at home." if such a thing were possible among such hell of fire and gas and flame and death that surrounded them

CROWN PRINCE PAYS PRICE The Crown Prince has endeavored to buy with thousands of human lives two kilovain, those in blue dying for the world's cause. And winning. For no single Boche, save he is dead or a kamerade, is as I write

occupying a centimeter of France that he did not occupy June 30, 1917. The interesting point about this tre mendous battle is that its resemblance to

Verdun is almost minute in comparison The Crown Prince is utilizing the identical methods of 1916. He is sending forth thickly massed troops following intense shelling, with intent of gaining a foot or a yard or fifty yards of territory; murderously willing to exchange quantities of Ger-man lives for a little earth, to hang on if he can, to return if he cannot, to enlarge any footing when it is attained. Here, be tween Verdun and Craonne, the Illieness is startling. And here, too, the result will be identical. Ils ne passeront pas!

The country where this battle is being fought is as a long crest. Upon its top a plateau through which runs the Chemin des Dames, ending beyond the village of Craonne, where it is intersected at almost right angles by two other plateaus, the one to the right or west being Casements, the one to the left or east Californie. Continu ing westward, the way leads to Hubertise the Grotte du Dragon, Cerny and Paradis Wood, of which I have written in previou articles on this section of the front; east ward the plateau terminates abruptly. one descends toward the southeast one would eventually come to Berry-au-Bac. Coucy and Rheims, in the order named German attack began on the morn ing of the nineteenth upon a two-kilometer front between Hubertise and Californie, aiming at territory wrested from the baraiming at territory wrested from the bar-barian, but relatively little before. Be-tween Casemente and Californie the French trenches are in salient form. The attack d'-rectly under the range of my vision was the Boche effort to curl up this salient for-mation. They launched Landsturm and reg-iments of the Fifth Division, Prussian Guards, against it. And they were received by the pollus of the ——th French Division, to be crumpled up as you would a place of by the points of the _____ In French Division, to be crumpled up as you would a piece of paper in your hand. That which the sudden raising of the smoke curtain, due, no doubt, to a cross condition of the wind, permitted me to see, was this crumpling. And that which 1 later saw the same day was a French counter-stuck in which a piece French counter-attack in which a piece of this satient, lost two days ago, was gloriously redeemed again for France. Both seemed staged as if for the benefit of us four men in a tree platform, the height o

More Exemption **Decisions** Today

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Steps already have been taken for the Steps already have been taken for the organizations of the two district appeal boards. They will be called upon to certify the lists of local draft boards and decide appeals from decisions, and many cases of industriat industrial exemptions which have been asked. United States Marshal Noonan will notify

the board members to assemble as sorn as the official appointments of the mem-bers are annotanced. The official appoint-ments will come from Washingotn. No draft lists can be certified until the district appeal boards are in session. The Thirty-second registration district

board, which starts rendering exemption de-cisions today, is required to furnish 225 men for the new army. It was one of the first boards in the city to start exemptions Nearly 600 men have been examined and 243 have been accepted. It is estimated that 75 per cent of this number have filed claims for exemption.

British Planning

U-Boat Captures Four Yankee Gunners

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tered the war April 6, 1917, and iwenty-five since that time.@ The total tonnage of the ships lost is about 112,000 tons, including 64,000 tons sunk since April 6. No American ships fell victims to the Central Powers in 1914, and only two in 1915 and the same number in 1916. When Germany began her unrestricted submarine warfare, however, attacks on American shipping became more fre-quent, and America lost nine ships beween that date and the time when the United States declared a state of war existed with that country.

The first American ship sunk was the William P. Frye, January 28, 1915.]

American Survivors Reach Port

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 12 - The aptain and the six members of the crew of the American schooner John Hays Hammond. victim of a German submarine July 27 while on a voyage from England to Icsland, have arrived here on an American Flanders Drive steamship. Cable dispatches telling of the biss of the schooner had said nothing of the fate of the crew. they were nicked up by

British destroyer 360 miles northeast of

he Irish coast after being twenty-four

WAR CONDITIONS and the Franklin Car

PROMINENT man has said that the things that will not stand the test of war condiare not

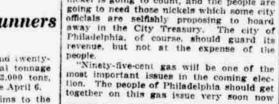
human energy, in the ready contact between men and their affairs. Automobile owners want to use eir cars more freely. They are impatient of weight, rigidity, excessive upkeep-all the old and arbitrary restrictions. What do you, as an American citizen and automobile owner, think about this matter? Do you favor a restriction of use, or a restriction of waste?

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neters of France, and this in the third year of the war. He has seemingly been willing to pay forty times the military value in men and material for these two kilometers. His attacks are feebly classified when s attacks are feebly classified when oken of as desperate. 1 am told that even at Verdun they were not more violent than during these last three days and that never in the history of the war have so many of the enemy been ruthlessiy slaughtered for but a few feet of material nd or that which might be maintained as a moral gain. French losses have been important, but

French losses have been important, but not a marker to those of the Boche. And may my arm wither if I ever write again that the pollu is tired, or unable to stand the gaff that he stood in February. May or June, 1916, at Verdun, that he has stood all through this war. If anybody ever tells you as much just lean over and whisper, "Craonne." For these soldiers of France are marvelous. They are more than mar-velous. No other soldier in all the world's velous. No other soldier in all the world's wars have done that which the poilu has done for three years, and then, that which it was my privilege to see him do today and yesterday. If there were a million more of him, he'd trim these Boches without the United States or England or Russia or any other combination of nations on the or any other combination of nations on the globe. He has borne the brunt as no other fighting man could. He has stood as an impregnable bulwark in guardianship of world honor, even when the world did not know its honor was at stake. And he'll be there at the finish, full of fight still, as full of it as an egg of meat, and as modest as

For two full days and nights 1 have had my cars stuffed with cotton, and yet heard the continuous violent thunder of have seen black shell flight in the aunlight, and red shell flight under the stars, and if it had been possible to forget that the stack was limited in area, it would have been casy to imagine sight of the greatest batte of all time. "A tremendous inten-sity of enemy free," laconically reads the communique of July 21. And it sure was, with some

CLOUDBURST OF DEATH

CLOUDBURST OF DEATH I have an impression of something new, to built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the old. I had looked upon the built out of the built of the built of the built out of the built of the one built of the built out of the built of the one built of the built out of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the built of the one built of the built of the built of the built of the one built of the one built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built of the built of the built of the built built of the built built of the built of th

en had changed into living things I could ionger recognize. The only familiar things about me were sky's blue and the sun's yellow. As for ise of shell, nothing could describe it, might compare its shriek and song to thousand infernos: the color, even by day, of a million lurid furnaces with open-and closing finming mouths, and the one to a kaleidoscope. And here and there, amid all this, it was if a curtain had been magically raised, if a bould see, for a little, men far off in its hand encounter--men seemingly, withal protequely different from men the mark and helmet. They ware

the plateau being on a level with our eyes During the second vista I caught sight in the far distance of Laon Cathedral tower. Just as the smoke closed in again my off-cer escort touched me on the shoulder and told me we would have to descend because a Boche observation plane was being pep-pered with French shrapnel, and the bullets were likely to fall through the foliage of our tree. It was then we made our way to our automobile, returning to headquarters where I write these lines, ere presently re-turning to another observation point.

Hoover Strikes Blow at Food Gamblers

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teen-ounce loaf could be sold with a rea-sonable profit at five cents, once the food administration had the power to regulate the cost of wheat and flour. Whether that end is accomplished or not, it will be used as a basis for action taken.

The statement just issued showed that Mr. Hoover had decided against all but reasonable profits and might act to abrogate contracts made for future if the



Continued from Page One losses to the enemy. Our troops man

tained all their positions and in the of the night realized further course In the Champagne and on both banks of the Meuse and artillery bombardment was guile beavy. West of Avocourt (Verdun region) we thecked an enemy surprise attack.

BERLIN, Aug. 13.—Army headquarters today issued the following: After the attack the artillery bat-tle in Flanders diminshed. It did not revive again until evening, when it recommenced on a wide sector and remained lively also during the night. Early today strong enemy reconnoitering detachments came forward at many points of the front after hours of gunfire. They were repulsed everywhere. They were repulsed everywhere. North of Hollebeke the English brought forward several regiments to attack. They had no success and had to retreat with very heavy losses. From La Bassee canal to the south-

AIRMEN SHELL SEBASTOPOL Russian Fortress City on Black Sea

Attacked by Germans ODESSA, Aug. 13 .-- Sebastopol was at-

hours in their lifeboal.

tacked recently by Teutonic airplanes, which threw bombs on the suburbs.

which threw bombs on the suburbs. The Germans are distributing numbers of proclamations signed by Prince Leo-pold of Bavaria, the German commander in the east, pointing out to the Russian troops the great need of immediate peace with Germany, in view of the recent dis-asters on the southern front, and urging them not to listen to Kerensky, who, it is alleged, is leading Russia to ruin. alleged, is leading Russia to ruin.



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after the war. It is true that war needs, and the state of mind induced by the war, throw a new light on much that Americans have spent their money for

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It is a fact that war conditions and the National Thrift are making a bigger market for the Franklin as the fine car of the strong.

light, flexible type. The big public is waking up to the truth about gasoline waste, tire mileage, friction loss and depreciation.

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Two-Gallon Efficiency Test. May 15, 1906, under the official supervision of the Automobile Club of America - won by the Franklin with a record of 87 miles. The Franklin average was 75 per cent above the average record of all compet-

Long Island Economy Contest, Febru-Long Island Economy Contest, Febru-ary 25, 1908, under the official supervi-sion of the Long Island Automobile Club -the Franklin won over all contestants by doing 242 miles at an operating cost of only 11-5 cents per mile. The cost of all other cars averaged 6 cents per mile-five times the Franklin operating

One Gallon Efficiency Test. May 8, 1909, under the official supervision of the New York Automobile Trade Associa-New York Automobile Trade Associa-tion, with twenty-one cars entered in competition—the Franklin Car went 36.6 miles on one gallon of gasoline and scored 105.408 weight-miles. The Franklin Car not only won the prize for the best score in its price class, but also the Willys trophy for the best score irrespective of trophy for the best score irrespective of

Buffalo One-Gallon Economy Contest, July 11, 1909, under the official super-vision of the Automobile Club of Buffalo —The Franklin set a world's record for gasoline economy of 46.1 miles on one gallon; 79 per cent more than the aver-age of the other eighteen competing cars. The Franklin scored 135,902 weight-miles as against the best competing score of 86,612 weight-miles, and the average competing score of 64,495 weight-miles. Fuel Economy Tests of Franklin Cars. June 20, 1913, under the official supervi-sion of the Automobile Club of America — a Franklin Roadster made a new world's mileage of 83.5 miles on one gal-lon of gasoline.

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