

**NEWS OF BATTLEFRONTS AND EUROPEAN CAPITALS IN EXCLUSIVE CABLE DISPATCHES**

**HE PRAISES  
AS LEADER**

**Commander  
Criticism for Fail-  
Counter-Attack**

**FOR CALMNESS**

**Many Delicate Sit-  
Arising From New  
Allied Unity**

The Evening Public Ledger, London, May 15.—The article by Major General Maurice as military command in the London Daily Chronicle in today's issue of the following: "The Allies have at last agreed to a common plan for the offensive in France. The difficulty loomed large in the way of this agreement was the fact that the various armies have disappeared in the battle. Yet they were not in any real difficulties. They have been frequently. But if General Foch is to receive the support he requires to enable him to meet the great burden which rests on him, it is well that they should be united and understood. The Allies were attacking and choosing their own time and place. They had, in fact, the will and with that were at least free from disaster. If their efforts were less completely successful they might have been with a better co-ordination, no real crisis would have been necessary to make necessary the various inconveniences. One of the great advantages of this plan is that unless the enemy is ready to turn to an attack at the right moment failure may be averted. But in nearly disastrous circumstances on the other hand, it brings with it at once most serious consequences. So it came that the Allies were able to rub out the last remaining vestige of the old command until the commander-in-chief of the Russian army to the west. It is very real dangers to be met in the days to come.

"The national army exercises which under established and well-conditions of discipline. If the commander-in-chief of another army cannot hold, we cannot command. He has, therefore, to be a person of the soundest judgment and not on rule or authority but on his own authority. The possibility of failure has increased. In war our generals are appointed to Parliament and the people have no authority. In times of stress tempers are strained and men are natural desire to call some one to account whom we have agreed to follow. It is easy and tempting, particularly in circumstances such as these, that a foreign general to ask too much of our own army and its equipment. Our huge casualty lists and our armies are bearing the brunt of the fighting, and it is natural that they do not the French do not."

"The Allied strategy I shall have a letter, but I ask my readers to remember that the German blow was to fall upon us, that the French were at first to the south of the Marne, and therefore, naturally, that his task is, while support is as necessary, to keep the enemy's reserves and to nurse them into action. It is in these circumstances that the general's functions in very war. The battle is over. The enemy threatened to sever the Allied lines."

"It is with his short, sturdy, alert figure, vivacious gestures, and twinkling eyes he looks what his staff affectionately term him, 'Le chef.' His methods are peculiar to himself. "He believes in a small staff absolutely under his control and lives very simply and without any military ostentation whatever. He has no belief in what he calls the protocol and red tape. In an emergency he scatters all stereotyped methods to the winds and uses any and every means which will help to gain his end. "In France he is before all the hero of the Marne. In England lately it has often been asked what has become of Foch's great counter-attacks. The man who sent from the Marne the message 'The enemy is attacking my flanks; my rear is threatened. I am attacking in front!' may be trusted to remain on the defensive not one hour longer than prudent generalship demands."

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**TOMMY BRINGS IN HIS BOCHE**



This sturdy little Britisher is bringing in his private prisoner captured during the German drive. The husky Boche is plodding ahead, taking no chances of starting anything with his captor, despite the disparity in their sizes.

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**BAGS TWO IN 5 MINUTES**

**Captain Peterson Outwits Enemy Aviators in Maneuvers.  
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Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger  
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**ALLIES CONFIDENT  
ON EVE OF BATTLE**

**Expert Opinion Is That  
They Can Withstand  
German Attack**

**VICTORY BY HOLDING**

**Teutons Hope to Force Peace  
by Threat Against Paris  
and Channel Ports**

By CHARLES H. GRASY  
Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger  
Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co., Paris, May 16.—Everybody realizes that the Germans will put everything they have got into the impending attack on the western front, and may spring new things in the way of guns, gases and tanks, but on the eve of the new battle there are no evidences of alarm or suppressed excitement. I met today an officer who goes three times a week to General Foch's headquarters and asked him about the prospects. He was smilingly confident. "When questioned about the French losses since March 21, he said that they hadn't been heavy. That is considered as the crucial point. If the French army remains at its strength, and if the flow of American troops direct to the front continues without interruption, the expert opinion is that the Allies will hold the Germans, and holding them will mean victory, for time fights with the Allies by reason of America's coming. "In these calculations no account is taken of an Allied counter-attack, which is always a possibility. A colleague, who has just arrived from Switzerland, says that German internal conditions have not been bettered by the eastern conquest. On the military side they are still banking on a successful offensive, but are much less cocksure. He thinks that the Germans are counting less on definite military victory than of forcing England and France to peace terms by bringing home to them the possible loss of Paris and the channel ports. With all their military strength and skill the Germans are having troubles which compel them to seek an early decision. The pinch, which is great in Germany, is almost unbearable in Austria-Hungary. While the weaker ally yields to the stronger, suspicion and distrust exist between Emperor William and Emperor Charles. There is not an identity of interest between them. "Victory will mean one thing for William and quite another for Charles. For the latter there is no pride in the war. He inherits it along with the crown, and his aversion for it and the opposition of his influential environment are now publicly known."

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**FORCE WAR CAPTIVES  
TO WORK AT FRONT**

**Prisoners Are Shifted From  
Germany to Points in  
Belgium**

From Today's Public Ledger  
Amsterdam, May 15.—Mons and the surrounding villages are full of German wounded, who, when sufficiently recovered, are sent inland to make room for others. French and British prisoners taken in the latest battles are often put to work behind the front, some forced to unload ammunition. Other prisoners have passed through Belgium in closed cattle and baggage trucks. More than 300 civilians have been compelled to work in the Hoboken dockyard. At Antwerp a company of Germans are constructing and repairing naval vessels, and the same takes place at Ghent, Bruges and Ostend. "The number of prisoners brought from Germany to the citadel at Diest is increased daily, but what object the Germans have for this removal of prisoners is unknown. "The Germans now are removing Belgian political prisoners from the prisons at Anstadt, Cassel and Wohlhelden to the old House of Correction at Vilvoorde, near Brussels. "Airmen are active on the front, bombs being thrown on the Menin Casino, where German handmen were practicing, and it is reported a large number of musicians were killed. "Menin is destroyed on the south and west side. Many civilians, mostly forced laborers, live in the east quarter, where a large number of houses remain standing. Some unfortunate people still remain in Roulers. "Strong young airmen are being trained with great assiduity at Diest in Belgium. There usually is room for some hundreds of airmen, but after four weeks' training many are obliged to leave for the front."

**SUFFRAGE IN PRUSSIA  
IS ORDERED BY KAISER**

**Diet Threatened With Dissolution  
Unless Satisfactory Measure  
Is Passed**

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**DUVAL, FRENCH EDITOR,  
MUST DIE AS TRAITOR**

**Six Others on Bonnet Rouge Are  
Sentenced to Prison for  
Treason**

Paris, May 16.—Convicted of treason, M. Duval, who was director of the suppressed newspaper Bonnet Rouge, has been sentenced to death. The six other defendants have been sentenced to imprisonment for terms ranging from two to ten years. Every decision of the court-martial was voted unanimously. "The judgment of man often is erroneous. Posterity will judge whether I am guilty of treason. Before the verdict was reached M. Duval, in an impassioned speech, had declared that none of the accused was in any way an accomplice of his. He declared he was ready to face any verdict severely."

**HUN NOBILITY HARD HIT**

**270 Counts and 633 Barons Among  
Those Killed in This War**

Amsterdam, May 16.—The incroads made by the war in the ranks of the German nobility are emphasized in the current issue of the German Adelsblatt, a periodical devoted to genealogical research. It enumerates among the killed 270 counts, of whom seven belonged to the house of Dohna and seven others to the house of Fieck von Fienckenstein, and 633 barons, of whom thirteen were of the house of Wangenheim. In addition to the foregoing, the old nobility, as it is known, has lost 842 members, while what is classed as the later nobility has suffered 836 losses, the largest being those of the family of von Wedel, twenty-two members, and von Armin, twenty-one.

**Secretary of War  
of War Baker**

has recently returned from the battlefields of France, will address a  
**Mass Meeting**  
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE  
National War Savings Committee  
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