2,000,000 AMERICANS IN FRANCE BY JAN. 1

Such is Number Promised, Declares Premier of France in Newspaper

NO CONFIRMATION HERE

Parls, May 17 Premier Clemenceau's newspaper.
L'Homme Libre, says the United
States has promised to have 1,500,000
fighting men in France by the end
of 1918. These troops it adds, must
have their own organization and services, which will mean at least 2,000,000 apecialists, workers, men in the quar-termaster's department and others.

termaster's department and others.

The newspaper says certain misunderstandings which had existed have been cleared up and that in no circumstances will Allied workers or soldiers replace French workers in factories. The presence of American workers on French soil will be an indirect consequence of the presence of American fighters on the front. American fighters on the front.

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Rene Renault, president of the
Army Committee of the Chamber of
Deputies, laid before a meeting of
the Socialist Radical party, the largest the Socialist Radical parts, the littless in the chamber, Premier Clemenceau's declartions after the Inter-Allied conference at Abbeyville early this month regarding the utilization of American aid, which is being importantly developed. M. Renault also showed the utility of small tanks as a re-enforcement for infentive. ment for infantry.

London, May 17 — Arrangements are being made on the western front to care for 5,000,000 American troops. Harry E. V. Brittain, secretary of the English branch of the Filgrims' Club. told the Royal Colonial Institute. It the Germans do not give in he adden, the number of American troops will be increased to any amount necessary.

be increased to any amount necessary. Sir Charles P. Lucas, formerly head of the dominions department at the colonial office, said he wondered if the Germans realized what the entry of America into the war mount. It meant, he said, not only the accession to the Allied Powers of many millions of fighting men and the addition of vast resources, but also the coming in of the only one among the great peoples of the world who have seen and carried through to an unmistaka-

are more than ever hopeful that a men are admittedly now in France. Unhappy experience with oversingular estimates of what can be accomplished makes them slow to put their hopes into definite predictions, however, and it is not possible to obtain specific confirmation of the reports from Paris that 1,500,000 fighting troops before January I had been promised.

The statement in Premier Clementeau's newspaper that such a promise had been made was not believed by army officers generally to mean that the American Government should definitely piedge itself to deliver a specific number of men within a time limit. Many factors are involved in making such a calculation months in advance.

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To commission, having no criminal jurisdiction, has been unable to punish individuals, and has had to a punish individuals and has had to a punish individuals and has had to a punish individuals and has had to a punish individual sand has had to a punish

Secretary Baker would make no comment on the statement. Many weeks ago he told the Senate Military Committee however, the Government then had hopes of getting 1500,000 to the front during the year. Since then his estimate that 500,000 men would reach France early in the year has been fulfilled and since then also the German drive has changed the whole course of events and brought about a speeding up of American participation which has already shown results.

"The practice is one which has been condemned allke by business men. Legislatures and courts, including among the business men those who have finally reserved to it is self-defense in compating with less scrupulous rivals or in selling to concerns whose employes have exterted commissions under threats to destroy or disapprove goods submitted to them first test of the Government's oil properties.

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GERMANS WOULD TAKE ALL IN PEACE TERMS

Minimum Conditions in Document Leave Nothing for Teutons to Desire

With the French Army in France, May 17.

May 17.
A document found in a German trench recently recaptured by the Allies states Germany's conditions of peace.
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 preser-vation and development of Germany the following.

following:
"Belgium, especially the Flanders coast, with Antwerp, is to remain under German military, economic and political dependence." dependence.
"Liberty of the seas shall be properly established for all nations, the Central Powers being allowed a commercial fleet totaling 17,800,000 tons, while that

of the Allies should amount to 10,900,000 Our colonies shall be returned with

augmentation.
"We are to have more numerous and

stronger naval stations.
"The Longwy and Briev mine fields, which furnished France its weapons for attack, shall become German.
"Readjustments of the frontiers, par-

ticularly in the Vosges, are to be fixed according to the military situation and the appreciation of the commandant. Our frontiers must be such that their defense is made easier."

defense is made easter. "The former German Baltic provinces shall be incorporated, their rich soil furnishing new cereal fields for German peasant immigrants, thus protecting the empire against the dangers of famine. "Courland, Lithuania, Livonia and Esthonia are to be colonized. "One million, eight hundred thousand tons of Rumanian petrol will be at the disposition of Germany."Those nations who attacked peaceful Germany must pay all war charges in raw material, ships, ready money and territorial concessions, leaving Germany with only five billions national debt."

OPPOSES ORE CONTROL BILL

D. G. Kerr Tells Senate Committee

Measure Is Not Needed Washington, May 17 .- Opposition to the Administration ore control bill was expressed at the hearing before the Senate Mines Committee by D. G. Kerr. vice president of the United States Steel Corporation. There is no need for the bill at present, he declared, and price-fixing is not needed to stimulate production. Importation of 35,000 tons of manganese ore monthly from Brazil was urged, as the steel industry is facing a serious shortage of materials, Mr. Kerr declared. the Administration ore control bill was Kerr declared.

START WORK ON GUN FLANT

Army Engineers Begin Survey of the

Ground on Neville Island Ground on Neville Island

Pittsburgh, May 17.—Construction of
he \$70,000,000 ordnance plant for the
tovernment by the United States Steel
torporation on Neville Island, in the
hito River, near Pittsburgh, has been
egun. Army engineers, acting under
optructions of the War Department,
cash a preliminary survey of the
cound useded for the plant, which, ir

GERMANS' NEW PLANE CALLED FLYING TANK

Enemy Introduces Armored Steel Flying Machine as New War Tool to Harrass the Allied Troops

By EDWIN JAMES

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger

eral six-centimeter (2.36 inch) guns.

Congress to Strike at Vicious Practice

Trade Commission is calling for enact-ment of "a sufficient law striking at the ommercial bribery.

Washington, May 17.—Army officials transaction should be reached by a criminal statute, in the opinion of the compowerful American force will be co-operating with the Allies there by the end of the year, as more than 500,000 men are admittedly now in France, lessed against firms guilty of the prac-ies of complaints have been lessed against firms guilty of the prac-lessed against firms guilty of the prac-

With the American Army in France, | Giants simplanes of a new type have

wings are made of steel. It has a speed of fifty miles an hour and carries sex- Germans propose to establish bases for austriache di Monte Asolone, tra i fiumi the Germans are understood to be now making very elaborate tests with it. This new tool of war represents a German effort to outstrip the Allies in the use of sirrilanes flying low against these machines are designed to catturate pareachi prigionieri.

German effort to outstrip the Allies in the use of sirplanes flying low against infantry. The Allies have had marked success with this kind of aerial warfare, especially in recent Somme battles, and Fritz evidently is to try to go them one better.

I also learn that a Berlin engineer has patented a new type of sirplane gun mounted on a revolving turret directly over the aviator and in the center, between the wings. The turret, being mounted on ball bearings, is capable of revolving 356 degrees. It is not known whether this is a part of the equipment of the flying tank.

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The commission feels that the stamping out of commercial bribery is one necessary step to the preservation of free, open and fair competition, and to Washington, May 17—The Federal legislation should prohibit not only the giving and ordering, but the acceptance ment of "a sufficient law striking at the ministifiable and vicious practice of commercial bribery." in relation to his employer's affairs or business, or for showing or forbearing to show favor or disfavor to any person in relation to his principals or employ-

other considerations to members of the

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La Valorosa Fanteria Italiana Penetra Nelle Trincee Austriache

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With the American Army in France, May 17.

Grandan aviation are training in the German aviation schools for training in long-range bombing. The German have been trying since the late of the "flying tank." This newest weapon of the air is an all-steel bombing machines, but so far have not che le trunge italiane, at rileval dan effectivate to be trunge italiane, at rileval dan Quartier Generals Italiane, at ril che le truppe italiane hauno effettuato operazioni offensive contro le trincce these planes at Zeebrugge, Cuxhaven Brenta e Plave, riuscondo a penetrarvi

LAW AGAINST BRIBES
IN BUSINESS URGED

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**Fourteen States have statutes striking della Valle of the large at the practice, and yet it tends to grow When competition crosses State lines State statutes with respect to trade practices are not actively entanged. **Located delle intraginative italiane, e contrette a ritirary.

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ne completamente. Selle Valli Lagarina ed Arsa e l'Altopiano di Ariago il Sorifici ncutata strivita d'artiglieria da

Porto di Pola, durante la quale fu silunata una consezzata austrasca, Es Buenes Aires, May II Continuation of Argenthus's policy of neutrality was apphasized in President Higoven's increased by Vice President Luna yesserday afternoon at the receiver of the Fifty-seventh Congress.

1 Capitano di Corvetta Sig. Mario da Santis Caniden N. J. infantry control of the Fifty-seventh Congress.

BRILLANTI OPERAZIONI Vignola Pellegrini di Modena. Milani Antonio di Lodi, secondo capo timoniere silurista, Francesco Anselmi di Siracusa e Giuseppe Corrias, marinal, in un pic-colo battello lanci-siluri, con ammire-vole spirito di sacrificio individuale e souma perizia militare e marinaressa, eludendo la vigilanza delle sentinelle e dei riflettori che costantemente scrittisano le acque, penetranono nel ben pro-tetto e fertificate perte di Pola e con successo torpedinarono una "dread-nought" austriaca del tipo "Viribus

Durante la notte del 12 corrente tredici torpediniere italiane attaccareno un trasporto nemico che veniva scortato nel porto di Durazzo da una squadra di By order at the President School Interest of the President School Interest Sch

FRANCIS WILSON LOSES SUMMER HOME B" FIRE

Actor and Household Narrowly E. cape Death in Blaze That Destroys Valuable Collections

Harleton, Pa., May 17—The Wyoming lassis of the Deformed Church, at a annual convention at Wetherly, consect Harry Edwiness and its wife to preach and discussed the Rev Mr. leffer to the Gettyrburg Classis. The witten are Franklin and Marshall tolents. The Rev Mr. Behrens will be store of Wanualham.

DUTCH SHIP SUNK IN CRASH

Crew of Requisitioned Vessel Rescued.

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