GERMANS CONTINUE RAIDS ON HOSPITALS

Kill French Nurse and Slightly Wound Many Convalescent

With the American Army on the French

Americans

Battlefront, May 30. The Germans have continued their campaign of terror in the rear of the American front by a victous air raid

against Red Cross hospitals. A deliberate attempt was made to blow up hospitals in which scores of American wounded were lying. A French nurse was killed and another was mor-

Many Americans who were convalescing were slightly wounded by flying

rapnel.

Numerous windows were shattered by
e German bombs.
Hundreds of American and French patients were carried into caves for

The civilian population is deeply in-

censed.

A historic town was raided many miles back of the American lines and in every instance the German pilots swooped down with the craftiness of hawks and carefully selected hospitals as their targets. In each case the main building was missed, but the bombs fell close enough to damage the hospitals, shake the buildings, shatter glass and terrorize the patients. Many of the patients received injuries. Of the group of hospitals in this town only one was

Gen. Wood Waits for New Orders

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major generals agreeable to Pershing from which the names of Wood. Ball. Barry, Scott and Morrison are said to have been omitted; but every one who had anything to do with informing the public had its existence explained to him "authoritatively," The country public had its existence expanded to him "authoritatively." The country was not to be left in doubt that Per-shing did not want Wood for the same reason that the Administration did not want Wood at the beginning of the war—to wit, because he was a "hard man to handle." Evidently the feeling of those responsible for our military policy is that the country in its loyalty will be so unwilling to question any act of Pershing that it will accept the refereion of

ing to question any act of Pershing that it will accept the rejection of Wood without protest, and that from now on the Wood issue is dead.

Any assignment of importance which Wood may get in the future will be an act of generosity, whose purpose will be to prove that it was not the Administration but the American commander at the front who balked the nation's desire to have the served the nation's desire to have the serv ices of the man who is, perhaps, its greatest soldier. Some such evidence The friends of Pershing here are not

well pleased to have the responsibility for rejecting Wood placed upon him. In fact, some of them are outspoken in their indignation. They describe the action of the Administration in "ducking from under" as cowardly. They say that even if General Pershing did refuse to have General Wood, the fact ought to have been treated as a confidence by the War Department, that General Wood ought not to have been told and that the public ought not have been told. That rule has been ob-served in the case of General Sibert and certain other officers who have been unexpectedly sent back from France. Pershing's friends insist that the public should not have been set to questioning Pershing. his character and his motives, as they are likely to

Head, Says Markham

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fed by the Pennsylvania, or vice versa, and unfair to have appointed a western man to the directorship of this territory.

"This is not in defense of the Administration but is merely for the information of people who have wondered why so able a man, so great a railroad executive, as Mr. Rea and others like him, were not given the Federal appointment. "I am coming to Philadelphia totally

ignorant of the situation there, since I have no way of getting in touch with it and will not have until I take over my "But I can say that my chief aim

almost sole aim—will be to move cars faster than they have been moved here-tofore. Every step taken will be for the purpose of securing closer co-operation We must co-ordinate facilities to the last spur track. We must concentrate on one thing: speed in moving cars.

Speed Sole Object

"There is nothing more that a regional director who is not yet actual director can add to that. Every railroad man in the country has had for his purpose those things since the entrance of the United States into the war.

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"Philadelphia is one of the greatest ports on the Atlantic. You are building many huge ships for the Government to earry supplies and troops to France. We will co-operate with the shipping board under Mr. Hurley in every way.

"We will do everything in the power of railroads to facilitate movements of material to plants working on war orders. Mr. Hurley's plans about soning of the country for freight import and ex-

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"Speed-up will be the whole idea of all transportation facilities. That is all I am able to predict about my work as regional director of the Allegheny district until I get into harness."

Asked whether or not the Government contemplated transferring all Baltimore and Ohlo passenger service to the Pennsylvania lines, thereby leaving the former road open for exclusive freight service, Mr. Markham said that he had heard nothing which would indicate that the Government has such a step in view.

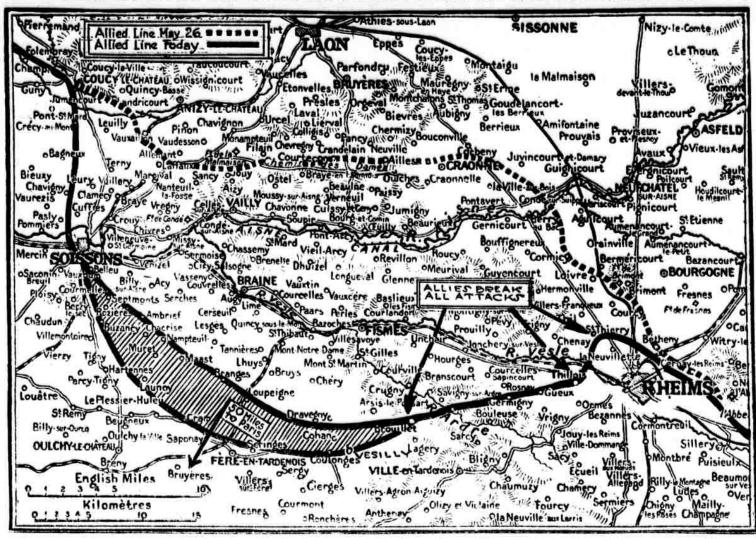
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SEEKS NEWS OF GARABED

etary Lane Inquires What He Is Doing With His Invention

WHERE ALLIES ARE STANDING FIRM AGAINST GERMAN ASSAULTS



Latest reports from the Aisna hattlefield indicate the Allies have stemmed thha Teuton advance. Fierce fighting is going on in the region of the Soissons-Hartennes highway, at Ferc-en-Terdenois and at Vesilly. All assaults against the Allied positions at Brouillet, Thillois and on the heights of St.

Thierry, protecting Rheims, have been broken up. The shaded portion of the map shows the German advance since yesterday.

Enemy Drives Held on Aisne Front; Allies Rush Reserves

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turing a few prisoners and a machine gun.

"A party of our troops raided enemy trenches during the night near Locon, returning with a few

Robeca and Hinges.'

Solssons, the Angio-Frenca armies and warmest loyalty and showing in many ported by powerful reserves, are holding warmest loyalty and showing in many ported by powerful reserves, are holding fast to their positions along the whole front from west and southwest of Sois-sons to the mighty battle zone west of

the Germans hurling themselves in a series of furious assaults against the Allied positions. The struggle, which is now in its fourth day, has taken on greater violence than marked even the great drives on the Picardy and Flanders

The new battle line, which is about eighteen miles south of the old front, as it existed last Sunday, now forms a salient extending southward from Sois-

General Vichara, of the German army. has been driving in the direction of Oulochy.
(Oulochy chateau is seventeen miles

railroad is twenty-three miles south of Rheims.)

German Claims

The German War Office, in an official report issued last night, claimed fresh progress near Soissons and between Soissons and Rheims. In an earlier statement it was claimed that the number of Allied prisoners had been increased to 25,000.

Thousands of refugees are arriving it Paris from the new pattle zone around Rheims, dispatches state. American Red Cross agents who are meeting the trains are caring for the

Despite the loss of Soissons and the critical situation at Rheims, the people of Paris smile confidently while reading the War Office communiques and waiting the beneficially from the long-range for the projectiles from the long-range German cannon.

ALLIES' RESERVES NOW IN ACTION;

Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger

Copyright, 1918, by New York Times Co. With the French Armies, May 30. Very severe fighting continues.

The results yesterday necessarily

already been identified on the new front of attack. German airmen on this occasion have been bold, and numbers are meeting their match. prisoners.

"The hostile artillery has been active east of Villers-Brettonneux (Picardy front) and in the sectors of Roberg and Hingas."

I must do justice to the British divisions which had to bear the brunt of one of the flercest parts of the German assault on the Aisne Not merely because they are British Nowhers could national pride be more The New Battle Line

Although the French have given up Soissons, the Anglo-French armies supported by powerful reserves, are holding

ways that they realize as never before the equality of their virtues and the good fortune of partnership. Watch them on the road going up to the lines and exchanging little gifts and greetings, or coming down and joining refugees of joining hands to help some party of refugees on its way. Hear their stories of each other, how one was "epatant" and the other "Splendid, by Jove." and you will begin to understand the growth of a comradeship that would shame even whispers of

shility for the rejection of Wood and never have disclosed Pershing's part in it. As it is, he has shifted criticism from the political establishment of the country which can stand criticism to the military establishment which in times like these should be kept free from criticism.

Drive for Railroad

Military critics believe that the objective of the Germans is the important railway line which runs from Paris to take the usual precautions, but the thing had to be done, and they miles south of the present battle line and there is little likelihood of the Germans and the reis little likelihood of the Germans is the important railway line which runs from Paris to take the usual precautions, but the thing had to be done, and they miles south of the present battle line and there is little likelihood of the Germans and the reis little likelihood of the Germans and the reis little likelihood of the Germans and the reis little likelihood of the German as I, that the folk at home should hear of them.

that the success of the German as-sault on the British sector led the de-fenders by a threat of envelopment to retreat from the Alsne heights.

This was not so. The Germans first crossed the river further west and the British left was therefore obliged to

resumably speak with the same definiteness of their part in the battle.

Fiftleth Bears Shock

It was the left, and particularly the Fiftleth Division, that had to bear the heaviest of the shock. The bombard of heaviest of the shock of the heights done. The shock of the heights done. The shock of the heights done of the shock of the shoc

ther east, and as the men fell back a front could be preserved only by a converging retreat toward the south by night. When the hills north of Vesle were reached the Fiftieth Divi-

Governalized by the french review all sistence is steadily increasing, and more prudence will soon be necessary.

So far an almost insolent boldness has won through, but the French releaved its increasing, and more prudence will soon be necessary. For instance, the river Aisne is a most insolent boldness able to prevent the Allies from destroying all the bridges during the withdrawal, but it is not too late, and the bombarding squadrons of the Allies will doubtless find telling work to do in the early future.

Debate Enemy's Aim positions till late in the afternoon.

On the right the Twenty-first division, together with the neighboring French division, had to defend the line of the canal from Berry-au-Bac to Bernericourt against the onset of four German divisions, aided by the strongest fleet of tanks the enemy has yet put into the field. This north-western edge of the great plain of Champagne is very favorable ground for the use of cars of assault, and it was here that the French made their first experiments with indifferent re-

good, is for the moment an academic heights with batteries and perfect observation behind them. They held Seven divisions belonging to Von Hutler's army two months ago have

and rankers equally have worked and are working together with the utmost cordiality; in fact, virtually, as a single body.

CONSOLIDATE LINES.

Washington, Mar. 30—General Pershing's latest report on operations reads. In the Cantiany salient we have consolidated our positions in spite of heavy artillery and machine-gun fire. Removed counter-attacks broke down under our fire. "In Lorraine we repulsed three raids

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PRAISES U. S. TROOPS

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our aviators shot two hestile machines instead of one as reported.

PERSHING REPORTS CAPITAL CONFIDENT OF CHECKING BIG DRIVE

Washington, May 30 To meet the drain that the duel of death imposes on her, Germany is mobilizing youths born during the first half of 1300—barely seventeen years old—said Entente official reports today. Her entire 1313 class has already been called out. Loss of men is disregarded in making the gains thus far obtained. Secretary of War Baker's comment that the present smash is "extensive and furious" ably characterizes it. Yet there are signs that the next few days will see a slackening of the German punch and a stiffening of the Allied forces through re-enforcement.

Germany is, as before, sacrificing men ruthlessly for territory. Figures of present losses are vague and unsatisfactory, but official French reports say that the cost was more than 500,000 men since 'e offensive started, May 21.
Distinctly zerious, but in no way desperate.

That is the verdict military Wash-To meet the drain that the duel of

questioning Pershins, his character and his motives as they are likely to do now that he has rejected Wood. They think that the commander at the front is entitled to have the uttended to have the ut their French associates."

The Secretary issued the following communique from General Pershing:
In the Cantigny salient we have

GERMANS CLAIM 25,000 CAPTIVES INCLUDING TWO ALLIED GENERALS

Berlin, May 30.

The German War Office has given out the following: "The armies of Colonel General Boehm and General von Below, of the army of the German Crown Prince, have victoriously continued their attack. French and

British left was the fall back.

As the numbers and positions of the four British divisions have been given in Marshal Haig's communique, I can Larisch, after repelling a French counter-attack, captured the Terney-Sorny and the heights north of Solssons.

without interruption our progressing at-tack and effect of our artillery fire. "The number of prisoners has in-creased to 25,000, including one French and one English general."

German Loss in Drive Declared 520,000 Men

With the French Armies in the Field, May 30.—The Germans, since the start of the present offensive (March 21), have lost a minimum of 520,000 men, according to com pilations made today that are declared mathematically certain.

Coupled with the forty divisions (480,000 men) used in the Soissons Rheims drive, now under way, the enemy has employed 200 other divisions (2,400,000 men) since the offensive started, leaving but ten divisions (120,000 men) of unused troops at their disposal.

Counting the divisions which the enemy has used two or three times, it has engaged a total of 260 divisions (3.120,000 men) in operations since March 21.

According to authentic information in the possession of French military authorities the German have lost a minimum of 2000 me in each division employed.



British Await Attack

they have broken houses next to their own homes or their own houses partially destroyed. It is rather pitiful to see these exiles of the night, though there are so many things more pitiful. A man came up at the place where we stopped and said: ""Alerte! avion boche!" There had been an alarm some miles away of an approaching raid. We motored into the town because our road lay on the other side of it. It was a dark little town and our lights were out so that we were soon

ming noise, like many bees swarming, of her boy is denied America's later and we knew that the German airplanes were close and fiving low. There was no other sound For a few seconds the old town was utterly the parades, the species, were niss-seconds the old town was utterly the parades, the species, were niss-seconds to the old town was utterly the parades, the species, were niss-seconds to the old town was utterly the parades, the species were niss-seconds to the old town was utterly the parades, the species were niss-seconds to the old town was utterly the parades, the species who loved the fighting diers. The children are the best-loved friends of the old town was utterly the parades of the old town was utterly the old town was utterly the parades of the old town was utterly the old town was

No soul moved in the streets where

Guns Open on For Airmen

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Suddenly there were several enormous crashes. The German airmen tours crashes. The German airmen mother cemetery back of a certain hose red dropping their londs. Across pital, are twice as many more. And for up under the guns there is a little mous crashes. were flashes of shrapnel among the graveyard guarded by an old stone wall scattered stars and searchlights trav-eled to and fro, their long white beams, feeling about for the enemy, passing each other and making enormous tri-angles of light from earth to heaven. American could have visited today and

There were about twenty hostile air craft up and the drone of their engines was broken up into different notes and different rhythms as they scattered and flew in circles dropping their bombs in many parts with terrific are fighting with new determination, crashes. As they burst bits of shell come clamoring down where our car and firm resolve for victory that war was holted under cover of a wall may never again be thrust on the world. crashes. As they burst bits of shell lick realization of what this war means, came ciamoring down where our car and firm resolve for victory that war was halted under cover of a wall.

Shrappel builtets whipped against the walls and windows and smashed them and the street was littered with broken glass.

A gunner officer in the car said, "I

reckon we had better find a better hole," and we ran across the street and dived between the houses and found by luck a trench, into which we went down. From that ditch we went down. From that ditch we watched the air raid all around us, where those black birds flitted about amid the shellfire.

Now and again we had a glimpse of

Now and again we had a glimpse of one of two passing like dots across the moon and doing their deliberate work of destruction. It lasted half an hour in two spells, and in that time there were many bombs dropped, while the town below, that shuttered lifeless town, suffered this outrage upon its old houses.

A French Workman's Desire

A figure loomed out of the darkness and spoke to us. He seemed to be the only soul alive besides ourselves. It was a French workman, who leaned over the ditch and spoke passionately things without any passion in his voice, but quietly and gentle.
"I should like to have one of those Germans on a plate," he said. "I would like to cut him up with a knife.

not a big knife, but a little knife."
He explaned that his wife and children had fled out of the town before darkness and that he had stayed alone next door to a house that had fallen into a heap of ruins.
"It is very bad for our women and children." he said. "This war hurts them more than it hurts us."

RED CROSS GIVEN HOSPITAL

British Present U. S. Order with Institution at Windsor

Lendon, May 30.—A joint committee of the British Red Cross and the order of St. John has presented the American Red Cross with a hospital containing 500 beds.

By permission of the King, the hospital will be erected in the great park at Windsor.

Night Raiders Busy; PLACE FLOWERS ON GRAV OF AMERICANS IN FRA

stars. These figures were mostly women and children, and I knew that they had come out of the town to spend the night in the fields because they have broken houses next to their Mounds

beside stone walls, centuries old,

was struck in France, as the graves of Another the moon flung a clear white light down one side, while the opposite shadows were inky black. All the windows were inky black. All the windows were abuttered and no light windows were abuttered and no light grass. A little wooden cross, with the gleamed through the chinks. Here grass. A little wooden cross, with the and there were black gulfs where houses had been blown down in previous raids.

Guns Onen on Foe Alrmen

So it is throughout the area in which the Americans have fought. There is no one special spot an American could have visited today and Then machine guns opened fire from the ground with a sharp tattoo of bullets and the sound ricocheted down lives to world principles. They have died the streets like the beating of sticks as soldiers of the democracies of the against house fronts.

BROKER REVEALS SECRET Successful Real Estate Operator Tells How He Amasses Fortune.

front, but near the heart of the world

"I made most of my money by seaing to that I never had a variant property on my saids." said the head of a large real estate im recently.

Whenever I had a dwelling to rent. I induced the owner to either lay hardwood foors throughout or to have the old line foots and satirways renovated. These importance of the satisfaction of the satisfaction

With the Americans in France, May 30.

THERE are new American graves being decorated today.

They are on grassy hillsides, in shaded ravines, beneath drooping trees and beside stone walls, centuries old.

greatest battle line, American were honored today. The troops marched into the line where the mans were making their great in April, paid dearly in blood the way. They fought and died the French only as Americans case and die.

it. It was a dark little town and our lights were out so that we were soon love in the narrow streets.

Then overhead came a loud humming noise like many bees swarming, and we knew that the German airginance were close and fiving low large were close and fiving low. away.

American mothers, fathers and

Scranton Exceeds Red Cross C Scranton, Pa., May 30.—Willia Truesdate, president of the Lacks Railroad Company, helped Scrant exceed its quota in the Red campaign with a check for 3 Miners of the Lackawanna Cost pany raised more than \$50,000.



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