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# U. S. TO LAND ARMY IN FRANCE WHEN ALLIES MAKE REQUEST

## AMERICAN TROOPS OFFERED FOR ACTIVE SERVICE IN FIELD

Small Contingent of Fighting Men Will be Placed on Foreign Soil For Moral Effect; Administration Undecided Whether to Send Regular Army, National Guard or Parts of Both Organizations

TIME OF SENDING EXPEDITION WILL DEPEND ON SHIPPING FACILITIES

Psychological Effect Will More Than Offset Disadvantages Advanced by the General Army Staff; Training Will be Given Men Within Sound of Big Guns; Action to Give America Place at Peace Board

By Associated Press

Washington, May 2.—The United States stands ready to send an army to Europe whenever the allies deem it wise to divert the necessary shipping from transporting food to transporting men.

It has become known definitely that the government has offered troops to the allies, but has suggested that the alarming shortage of world shipping may make it impracticable to send them at once. In spite of objections of the general staff to putting any American forces on the firing line before the great war army has been raised and trained, the administration has determined that the small contingent earnestly desired by France for moral effect shall be sent as soon as possible. The general belief here is that the way soon will be found.

Whether the force first to carry the Stars and Stripes into battle in France shall be made up of regulars or National Guardsmen, or both, has not been worked out.

Good Effect Seen

State Department officials have continuously urged the sending of an army, solely for its psychological effect, not only in encouraging the allied troops but in discouraging the Germans. Convinced that the diplo-

matic advantages far outweighed the technical and training difficulties advanced by the general staff, they have felt that such a step would consecrate the United States as a full partner in the war.

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## AMERICAN SAFETY IS THREATENED BY U-BOAT SUCCESSES

By Associated Press

Washington, May 2.—Secretary Lane told the governors conferring here today with the Council of National Defense on the part state governments will take in the war that the federal government had heard that 400,000 tons of shipping had been sunk in the last week by German submarines.

The destruction, Secretary Lane said, was not only threatening the existence of England and France, but was alarming the United States. Study of inventions to combat the submarine menace is being diligently pursued in the interior Department, he said.

The United States must build ships as rapidly as possible, he told the delegates.

"If we don't fight the war on the other side," he said, "we shall have to fight it on this side of the Atlantic."

Secretary Lane declared he believed the war would last several years and that every resource of the country must be brought into place to bring it to a successful conclusion.

War May Last Long  
"Many persons thought," said Secretary Lane, "that all we had to do was to issue bonds and that Germany would bow her head in submission."

### THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night, probably light frost, with lowest temperature about 38 degrees; Thursday fair, with moderate temperature.  
For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night, probably light frost in north and west portions; Thursday fair; moderate west to northwest winds.  
River  
The North Branch will rise slightly below Pottsville; other streams of the system will fall slowly or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 4.2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.  
Temperature: 8 a. m., 52 degrees. Sun rises, 4:57 a. m. Moon Full moon, May 6. River Stage: 4.3 feet.  
Yesterday's Weather  
Highest temperature, 58.  
Lowest temperature, 27.  
Mean temperature, 52.  
Normal temperature, 57.

### Americans Probably Will Be in France Within Three Months

President Wilson's Cabinet believes that an American force should be sent to the French front immediately.

There is every indication the dispatch of United States troops will take place at a much earlier date than was contemplated by the General Staff—probably as early as three months hence.

The Army Draft bill will not reach a conference committee for several days. A compromise is expected on the age limits, possibly 21 and 35 years.

### NEW GOVERNMENT IS DEMAND OF GERMAN PAPERS

Forecast People Will Turn From the Kaiser to Democracy

Amsterdam, May 2.—The Hamburger Fremdenblatt, at the end of a three-column editorial, comes to the conclusion that the German political system is a failure and must be changed. The paper says: "There is no use theorizing, there is something wrong with our general political system, as is clearly proved by Germany's political failures and in fact by the whole war. Fresh

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### STATE TENDERS SIGNAL HONOR TO MARSHAL JOFFRE

Offers Him Freedom of Commonwealth and Wants Speech

Marshal Joffre, who will arrive in this city some time between the hours of 12:30 and 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon has been extended the freedom of the State and an invitation to address a joint session of the Legislature.

The Chamber of Commerce, through which organization the people of Harrisburg will be privileged to see the noted French hero and his party, announced this morning that extensive preparations are being made for the reception of the

### All Work Stopped in Dual Monarchy; Labor Demands Peace

London, May 2.—Work stopped completely throughout Austria-Hungary on May Day, according to wireless dispatches from Berne. All of the Vienna munition factories were left idle, while the workers gathered at sixty mass meetings, where the food question and the need of immediate peace were the chief topics.

### 75 Norwegian Vessels Sunk in April by U-Boats

Christiania, Norway, May 2.—Seventy-five Norwegian vessels were sunk by German submarines in April and more than 100 sailors lost their lives. If such a monthly loss was maintained Norway's merchant navy would be destroyed in a year and a half.

### PART OF THE ANTI-SUBMARINE COAST PATROL



SUBMARINE CHASER LYNX

The submarine chaser Lynx, of which Ensign Blake has command, is patrolling the New England coast on the lookout for German submarines.

now up for repairs at Boston after Ensign Blake is a Harvard graduate.

### AMERICAN SHIP SUNK BY U-BOAT

London, May 2.—The American steamer Rockingham has been sunk by a German submarine. Thirteen men are missing.

Two boats containing 33 men were picked up yesterday, one by a patrol vessel. One boat containing 13 men is missing.

### MANY HEED CALL TO FARM AS FOOD PRODUCTION STEP

Men, Women and Children Rally to Call to Nation For More Gardening

While Harrisburg is sending hundreds of men and boys into the U. S. army and navy other hundreds, in addition to many women and children are volunteering to increase the food supply.

"WAKE UP TECH THE FARM IS CALLING YOU IF OSMAN, HEICHER, ZIMMERMAN AND BATTEN ARE WILLING TO FIGHT FOR US, ARE WE WILLING TO DO OUR BIT TOWARDS FEEDING THEM?"

This is the announcement that comes every Tech High School boy in the face as he enters the corridors of the Maroon Institution.

### Survivors of 127th Pa. Volunteers to Hold Annual Reunion Here Tomorrow

The twenty-ninth annual reunion of the survivors of the 127th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, will be held in Post 48 hall to-morrow. H. C. Demming is the president and N. A. Walmer secretary.

### 717 Airplanes Shot Down in Month of Battling

London, May 2.—A compilation from British, French and German official communications shows that 717 airplanes were shot down on the western front during April. The Germans lost 369, the French and Belgians 201 and the British 147. This is a great increase over the casualties for any similar period. The highest previous total was 322 in last September.

### ITTNER CHARGES ARE DENIED BY G. W. M'ILHENNY

Refutes Accusations of St. Louis Architect; Lloyd Makes Statement

George W. McIlhenny in an interview and affidavit made public today, supported by sworn statements of contractors who built schools in Harrisburg during the period of Mr. McIlhenny's admitted influence with the school board, denies emphatically and in every particular all the charges made against him by William B. Ittner, the St. Louis architect, and officials of the American

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### DRIVE CONTINUES WITHOUT SIGN OF FALTERING

Membership Enrollment Is Nearing 6,000 Mark; School Pupils Join

Without faltering the Red Cross membership list has crossed the 5,000 mark and is pulling strong for the next objective—6,000. The total is now close to that mark and it is expected by the end of the week nearly 10,000 will have joined.

### WOULD SUSPEND 'FULL CREW LAW' FOR WAR PERIOD

Bill Presented Today Would Rule It Out Until After Peace Comes

Senator McKee, of Allegheny, introduced a bill at the session today which is intended to suspend the operations of the full crew act during the war with Germany and for six months thereafter. The bill contains a preamble which recites that State and nation are suffering from a shortage of labor because of the demand made upon industry by the war with a foreign government of large numbers of citizens in the army and navy.

### U. S. SHIP FOLLOWED

New York, May 2.—An unidentified sailing ship, equipped with auxiliary power and answering the previously reported description of the German raider Seeadler, intercepted and followed for six hours an American steamship, which arrived here today from South America.

## CENSOR KEEPS LID TIGHT ON LABOR STRIKES

Great Disturbances Rumored From Borders of Central Empires, But Close Guard on News Channels Makes Impossible Forming of Definite Opinion Regarding Seriousness of Situation; Deadlock Reported of Fighting Front in France

Beyond an officially inspired dispatch from Berlin stating that no disorders occurred in Germany during May Day, the veil of secrecy which has been drawn over the situation in the central empires remains unbroken as far as any direct news is concerned. News dispatches from the German frontier speak of great strikes and rumors pile up on rumors in regard to the growing unrest among the Teutonic nations, but there is little that is tangible on which to base a judgment. Everything points to a crisis having been reached in the internal affairs of both Germany and Austria, but the outcome is uncertain.

The demand for internal reforms is growing louder and more insistent in Germany and the newspapers are voicing this demand with a boldness never known since the commencement of the war. The one certain thing of significance is that the German government is proceeding to unheard of lengths to prevent the outside world from learning the truth of the situation.

Attack Hottweg  
It is reported that Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg will make a new peace offer before the Reichstag to-morrow, but this is based entirely on a newspaper statement and lacks either detail or confirmation. The storm of criticism against the chancellor is steadily growing in bitterness and from all quarters is heard the demand for a "strong man" to guide Germany through the trouble which beset her.

Great Armies Deadlocked  
Along the fighting front in France considerable dissatisfaction in Paris and the minister of war will have to face the fire of a number of deputies when the French parliament meets later in the month. In England criticism is centered on the admiralty, the growing submarine menace rapidly increasing criticism of Sir Edward Carson.

being reported and a similar demonstration in Austria is declared to have passed peaceably.

PRESIDENT URGES STATES TO FIGHT  
Washington, May 2.—President Wilson to-day told the Governors in conference here that it was the supreme duty to the United States to co-ordinate its energies so democracy shall be vindicated and the world shown that the American government does not live in vain.

WHEAT AGAIN SOARS  
Chicago, May 2.—Reports that the German Chancellor's peace speech had been postponed led to sharp upturns in wheat. May advanced 17 cents to \$2.72.

HOUSE RAISES SALARIES  
Harrisburg.—The House to-day passed the bill to increase salaries of members of the general assembly from \$1,500 to \$2,500 by 134 to 38. The bill was defeated last week, but reconsidered. The House also passed the bill increasing salaries in the State Banking Department.

NORWAY LOSES 75 SHIPS  
Christiania, Norway, May 2.—Seventy-five Norwegian vessels were sunk by German submarines in April and more than 100 sailors lost their lives.

TO REGISTER 7,000,000 MEN  
Washington, May 2.—Election systems will be used to register men for army service, the war department announced to-day. Seven million men will be registered 15 days after the army bill is signed.

Nine More Survivors of Torpedoed Vacuum Land in Liverpool  
Liverpool, May 2.—Nine survivors, including Captain S. S. Harris, from the American oil tank steamer Vacuum, which was sunk by a German submarine Saturday, have been landed. This makes 27 men saved from a total of 42 aboard the vessel.

SAVE THE 'EYES' OF POTATOES  
Harrisburg.—Governor Brumbaugh to-day issued a notice to the public, especially to hotelmen, to save the eyes of potatoes for planting and calling on the people to increase the planting of beans.

MARRIAGE LICENSES  
Seymour Ellis Beagle and Ella Mae Shimp, Milton. Clarence Barnes and Laura Bruner, Harrisburg. Peter Naranic and Teresia Bendin, Steelton. Willie James Long and Ethel Reelma Johnson, Harrisburg. Pasco Casey and Katie Green, Harrisburg.