



FRENCH ARMY STANDS FIRM UNDER ATTACK

Germans Make Fruitless Effort to Push General Petain's Men Back From Vantage Points Won in Recent Battles; New Lines Withstand Bloody Assaults

SAVAGE BLOWS DEALT AT FOUR POINTS FROM HINDENBURG'S SHAKEN POSITION

Crown Prince Able to Take Advanced Trenches at One Point After Paying Heavy Price For Few Feet of Ground; Gas Shells Liberally Employed in Battle

Desperate attempts by the Germans to push back the French from the vantage ground won in the recent attacks by General Petain's forces in the Champagne region have been renewed.

As a whole the French line remained intact under the successive severe blows dealt it early to-day in a sustained effort of an extremely violent and sanguinary character, gas shells being liberally employed. The front was dented at only one point and this but slightly, the Crown Prince's troops gained a footing in some advanced trenches northwest of Mont Haut.

At the Teton and the Casque, at positions northwest of Auberville and at Mont Blond, on the front against which the attacks were launched, the net German gain was nil, the valuable ground which the French need for the pushing of a further offensive, particularly for observation purposes, being retained intact.

Along the British line in France the comparative quiet was broken into only by trench raids. Increasing artillery activity from the Arras battle front, however, is reported to-day, the big guns on both sides having started up again in somewhat lively fashion near Bullecourt and further north along the Scarpe east of Arras. British losses of men in the Arras battle was reflected in the figures of casualties published during May, which total 112,233, including 5,902 officers.

July Wheat Drops 89 Cents, But Bakers Do Not Favor Cheaper Bread

Chicago, Ill., May 31.—July wheat to-day went under \$2 a bushel and touched \$1.94, which is 89 cents lower than the price which immediately preceded restrictive regulations by the Board of Trade here two weeks ago.

Flour prices have to a large extent followed the lead of wheat. No agitation has developed among bakers to reduce bread prices. At the top of the market the 6-cent loaf was advanced to 10 cents and the 5-cent made its appearance. This was brought about largely by the advance to 10 cents and the

Supporters of Allies Force Spain Again to Suspend Constitution

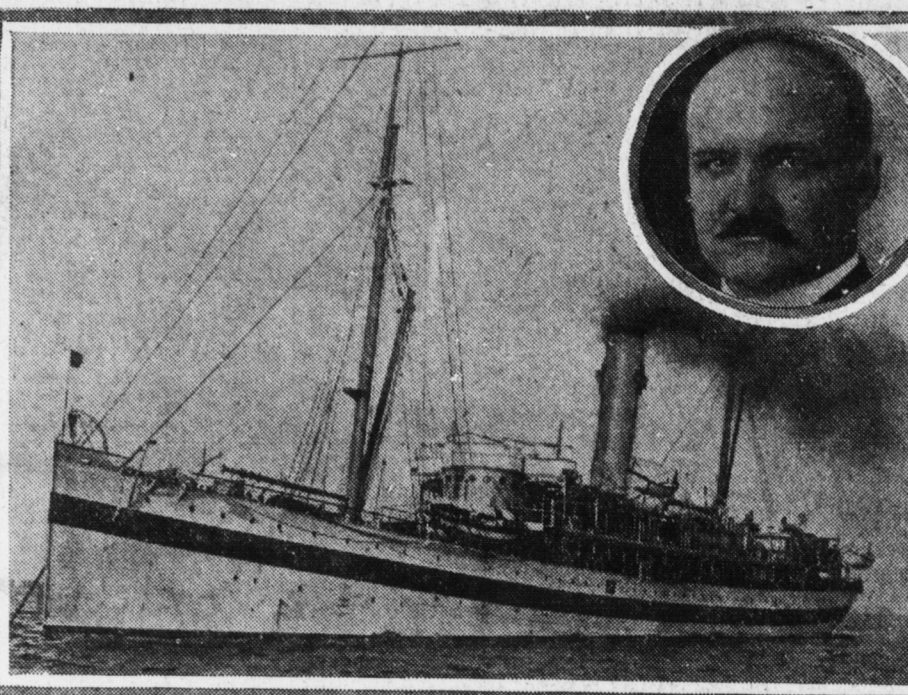
Madrid, May 31.—According to the newspapers, the constitutional guarantees will be suspended again in two or three days. Former Premier Count Romanones has declared to an intimate friend that he resented it was not invited to the mass meeting held by pro-ally sympathizers last Sunday. He said that if he had been present he would have maintained the declaration made in his letter to King Alfonso at the time he resigned. He added that many Liberals who were particularly active in the movement also have liked to be present.

Asked what he thought of the situation in Spain, the former premier declared that it became more grave and more confused "every day and every hour of the day."

George Weidman Groff Home From China After Five Years at Canton

George Weidman Groff, formerly of Old Orchard, who is professor of scientific agriculture in the Christian College at Canton, China, arrived in Harrisburg at 12.30 to-day after five years in the Orient. He was preceded by his wife and young son, who have been in the city for some months. Mr. Groff is a brother of Mrs. Ralph L. Diehl, of Paxlans. He will remain in Harrisburg until the latter part of the week, when he goes to State College for Groff day next Sunday.

SENATOR ALLEGES SICK WERE ILL-TREATED ON U. S. HOSPITAL SHIP



U.S.S. SOLACE. SENATOR CALDER.

The United States hospital ship, Solace, and United States Senator William M. Calder, of New York, who read to the United States Senate a "round robin" signed by thirty invalid sailors aboard the Solace, alleging ill-treatment and unsanitary conditions on that vessel. Among the charges made by the men were that, while ill with high fevers, they were compelled to carry their own baggage on board the ship; that drinking water was very scarce and always very warm; dishes used by men sick with measles were washed in the lavatory, where vessels were standing around filled with germs of scarlet fever and mumps; all food was served to men on one platter. The Senate has as yet taken no action.

EXPERTS GO OVER PARK PLANS WITH STATE OFFICIALS

Final Session Before Commission Goes Out of Office; Street Lines Up

Arnold W. Brunner and Warren J. Manning, landscape architects and engineers, are meeting with Governor Brumbaugh and members of the Capitol Park Extension Commission and the City Planning Commission, at the Capitol this afternoon, going over details for taking up the work of improving the tract as soon as legislative appropriation makes the money available. Street lines through the park zone are under discussion and the city authorities will be asked to approve two streets, running north and south, and one east and west throughout the tract. Much of the work to be discussed at to-day's session has to do with plans already outlined and was made necessary by reason of the fact that the Capitol Park Commission goes out of office to-night, by legislative enactment. Final details of its work were placed in the hands of the Department of Public Grounds and Buildings and the commission concludes its duties with everything in shape for the state to take up the grading and other preliminary improvement work as soon as the \$250,000 to be provided by the Legislature is at hand.

SOUSA ENLISTS

Great Lake, Ill., May 31.—John Philip Sousa, who held the rank of lieutenant when he was director of the United States marine band at Washington, to-day became an enlisted man of the United States Navy. He began the organization of the Great Lakes naval training station band, which he hopes to develop into one of three hundred pieces.

LONG DIVORCE SUIT

Beginning divorce proceedings against his wife on January 26, 1903, David Daub did not have the decree issued until to-day. The case was heard at the October term of court in 1904, and the divorce from Maria S. Daub granted on January 22, 1905.

TO Registration Day JUNE 5

"There Must Be No Gaps In The Ranks" PRESIDENT WILSON

In this hour of YOUR Country's need will they put YOU down as a MAN or as a GAP?

"ALL MALE PERSONS" AGED 21 YEARS AND NOT PAST 31 MUST REGISTER

SELECTIVE DRAFT FOR BIG LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN

240 Men Needed to Put Over the Liberty Bond Sale in Harrisburg

DON'T BE A SLACKER

Those Who Dodge Duty Are Not Doing Their Full Patriotic Service

Two hundred and forty men are needed to "put over" the Liberty Bond campaign in Harrisburg. They are being chosen by "selective draft."

Some of those whose names are on the list of the team captains who are notifying them of their choice for this service are trying to dodge their duty. To sell a Liberty Bond is a service. You may be too old to go to war, but you are not too old to sell a bond and so provide money with which to support our soldiers in the field. And if you refuse without real excuse to be drafted as a Liberty Bond salesman, you will be just as much a slacker as though you avoided registration June 5.

Will Visit Everyone That is the message of the Harrisburg Liberty Loan Association, the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce want to bring home to the men of the city.

Never a better organization formed than that now being put together for the bond campaign which will be waged in this city next week. Not a man will be left behind who will escape visitation. The city will be combed from end to end and an immense increase in the number of bonds subscribed is expected as a result.

Majority Have Dependents; 175 Persons Away From Home Sign Up

First unofficial totals of draft registration at the office of City Clerk R. Ross Seaman, of persons who will not be at their homes in points outside the county on June 5, were computed to-day.

Of the 175 who registered, not including the 27 who signed this morning; 80 claim exemption from draft, the majority because they have dependents, a few for physical disability and several because of their positions. Ninety-five do not claim exemption on any ground.

The proportion claiming exemption increases with the age. The totals for each year from 21 to 30 inclusive with the number not claiming exemption follow:

- Twenty-eight years, 8 of 11.
Twenty-two years, 11 of 16.
Twenty-three years, 15 of 24.
Twenty-four years, 6 of 19.
Twenty-five years, 6 of 19.
Twenty-six years, 13 of 22.
Twenty-seven years, 7 of 17.
Twenty-eight years, 9 of 17.
Twenty-nine years, 5 of 12.
Thirty years, 7 of 17.
Total, 95 of 175.

Jail Belgians For Picking Up Proclamation Dropped by Allied Aviators

Have, May 31.—A fine of 10,000 marks and three years' imprisonment are the penalties imposed by the German authorities on Belgians who dare pick up proclamations or objects of any nature dropped by Allied aviators in invaded territory. The inhabitants are forbidden to approach any flying machine that may be obliged to land in Belgian territory and are obliged whenever an aviator lets fall any object whatever to notify the burgo-master, who, in turn, must report immediately to the kommandantur.

Great Lakes Training Station Said to Be in First Class Condition

Chicago, May 31.—The Great Lakes Training Station is one of the healthiest communities in the world, Dr. Frank Billings, chairman of the health and sanitation committee of the Illinois State Council for Defense, announced to-day after a tour of inspection of the station yesterday. Dr. Billings was accompanied by Dr. Arthur Reynolds, for years health commissioner of Chicago, and Dr. E. J. Doering, formerly with the United States Marine Medical Service.

Wants Interpreters

City Clerk Seaman also asked all persons who can speak foreign languages and are able to act as interpreters to volunteer their services for the registration. Three interpreters have already been selected for the Seventh ward. They are Lazar Shumand, Petru D. Petricio and George Rasadan, who offered their services.

Italian Army Mission Will Be in City From 9 to 10.30 O'clock, June 12

Despite the short period the Italian War Commission will be in Harrisburg the Chamber of Commerce is preparing for a royal reception to the members. The following message has been received by E. L. McColegan, from the Third Assistant Secretary of State Breckenridge Long.

Italian Army Mission

"Italian Commission can be in Harrisburg from 9 to 10.30 a. m. Tuesday, June 12, if agreeable to you. Absolutely must leave at 10.30. Please send program."

BRITISH LOSSES TOTAL 112,233 IN ONE MONTH

Heavy Casualty Record Due to Great Offensive at Arras

5,902 OFFICERS ON LIST

Number of Dead and Injured Less Than in Battle of Somme

By Associated Press London, May 31.—British casualties as published in May show a total of 5,902 officers and 17,183 men.

The British offensive on the Arras front, involving some of the severest fighting of the war, naturally has resulted in a large increase in casualties over the inactive winter season. Casualties for the last few months have not been received, but in February the total reported was only 1,243 officers and 17,183 men.

The assertion of the British that their losses are 50 per cent. smaller notwithstanding the fact that larger forces are engaged, is not borne out by the May figures, although in the absence of the casualties report for April, early in which month the offensive was launched, the showing is not conclusive.

The casualties recorded in the first three months of the Somme drive were 307,169 officers and men. In August of last year, the second month of the Somme battle, the casualties were 127,845 as compared with 112,233 for May, the second month of the Arras battle.

KIDNAP RICH BABY

Springfield, Mo., May 31.—Lloyd, 14-month-old son of B. H. Keet, vice-president of the Holland Bank Company, was kidnaped while his parents were attending a dance at the Country Club last night. Bloodhounds were placed on the trail of the kidnapers early to-day.

KILLED BY GUARDSMAN

Chicago, Ill., May 31.—An unidentified man, lurking near a railroad bridge at the outskirts of Chicago, to-day was shot and killed by a private in an Illinois National Guard regiment. The man was shot after he had knocked down with a brick another guardsman who ordered him to approach for identification.

AMBASSADOR GUTHRIE BURIED

Pittsburgh, May 31.—The funeral of George W. Guthrie, ambassador to Japan, took place here to-day. The Japanese government was represented by Ambassador Sato, and the American government by Eckenridge Long, third assistant secretary of state; Colonel Henry H. Ludlow, of the army, and Captain Charles B. McVay of the navy.

TO KEEP SLACKERS AT HOME

Washington, May 31.—It was announced to-day that steps had been taken to prevent men subject to military registration from leaving the country before June 5. Department of Justice officials said every effort was being made to prevent evasion of the law by leaving the country.

WILSON PICKS PHILADELPHIAN

Washington, May 21.—Professor L. S. Rowe, of Philadelphia, was nominated to-day by President Wilson to assistant secretary of the treasury.

ATTACK ENROLLMENT IN COURT

Kansas City, Mo., May 31.—Arguments on petitions to enjoin Governor Gardner, Mayor Edwards and other state, county and city officials from enforcing the draft registration next Tuesday, were opened in the Circuit Court here to-day.

POWDER PLANT BLOWS UP

Scranton, May 31.—An explosion at the Du Pont Powder Mills near Moosic, Pa., to-day killed Thomas Thomas and seriously burned Thomas Johnson and George R. Brown, all workmen. The building in which the men worked was destroyed.

SHERIFFS WATCH SLACKERS

Jacksonville, Fla., May 31.—Sheriffs along the Florida coast to-day maintained close watch for slackers, who might attempt to leave the state for foreign shores by launch or steamer to escape registration. The Sheriffs will detain any person within the age limit suspected of trying to escape.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lawrence John Woydau, Rockville, and Louis Dwore Markel, Lucknow; John Henry Gantz and Mary Edith Casey, Harrisburg; Maurice Clifford Wiley, Waynesboro, and Clara Bell Higgins, Williamsport; Albert Crist Weiser and Anna Janet Swannberg, Harrisburg; Joseph Ira Foster, Altoona, and Viola Jewett Eberle, Petersburg; Edward Samuel Loeb and Mary Amanda Walborn, Stoneburg.

IS HE A QUITTER OR JUST SLACKER?

Which is the better term for a man who disobeys the Selective Draft Law and refuses to register next Tuesday for fear he will be drafted? QUITTER: The man who quits; especially, a contestant in any manly sport who shirks although physically fit; hence, a quitter; a coward. —Standard Dictionary. SLACKER: A person who slacks (is negligent, tardy, slow); a shirk. —Standard Dictionary.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled, probably showers and thunderstorms to-night and Friday warmer to-night. Lower Eastern Pennsylvania: Probably showers and thunderstorms to-night and Friday warmer to-night; increasing south winds.

River The main river will rise this afternoon and to-night and probably fall Friday. All tributaries will probably fall to-night, but some may rise Friday as a result of heavy showers. A stage of about 7.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

General Conditions The disturbance that was central over New Mexico, Tuesday morning, has moved northeastward without much change in energy and is now central along the western shore of Lake Michigan. It has caused showers and thunderstorms in the last twenty-four hours in the Lower Missouri, Middle and Upper Mississippi valleys, the Ohio valleys and over the southern and western portions of the Lake Region.

There has been a general fall of 2 to 4 degrees in temperature over the western half of the country since Tuesday morning. A falling front, with temperature 4 degrees below freezing, occurred at Helena this morning. It is warmer in the East. Temperature: 8 a. m., 60 degrees. Sun rises, 4:31 a. m. Moon: Full moon, June 5. River Stage: 6.2 feet.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 76. Lowest temperature, 52. Mean temperature, 64. Normal temperature, 66.