



280,000 MEN ARE CALLED FOR THE JUNE DRAFT TO NATIONAL ARMY

Apportionments to Be Withheld Until Camps Are Selected For Training of Great New Army

CAPACITY OF CAMPS TO DETERMINE CALL

At Least 20,000 More to Be Placed in Service For Special Units; Ship Many Abroad

Washington, May 31.—Official announcement was made to-day that 280,000 men will be called to the colors during June.

The quota is based on estimates of the space available for the men in camps and cantonments.

In any event the probabilities are that enough men will be called for special service to round the number out to 200,000.

"Mercuries" Don't Know How to Take Uniforms

"I've been forty years in the Western Union Service, and I won't wear 'em," said an incident customer of the local W. U. to-day when the manager announced that all "pavement pounders" should wear a new uniform which includes leggings.

A mild riot ensued in Third street when the whole gang were informed of the amazing order, although the younger whippersnappers felt very cocky when they tried on the brand new olive green garb with its saucy buttons and smart leggings.

Mutterings expressed themselves vehemently at the change. "We got to pay 40 cents a week for the rent of a uniform. You can never call 'em clothes 'r own," wailed one.

"Hully chee!" whooped one youthful Mercury. "Devil 'ink I'm one of them cloud busters with this uniform on."

TO PROTECT ARMY MULES

Washington, May 31.—Every horse and mule in the American Expeditionary Forces soon will be equipped with a new type of gas mask, which, it is declared, will make them impervious to gas attacks.

Arthur D. Bacon says THRIFT STAMPS ought to be in every home.

He figured the interest.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and warmer to-night and Saturday.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy and warmer to-night; Saturday fair and warmer; gentle south winds.

River: The main river will rise except the lower portion. A stage of about 7.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Saturday morning.

General Conditions: Cloudy, showery, cool weather has continued in the Middle Atlantic and New England States.

Temperature: 5 a. m., 57; 8 a. m., 62; 11 a. m., 64; 2 p. m., 68; 5 p. m., 64; 8 p. m., 58; 11 p. m., 54.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 64; lowest temperature, 57; mean temperature, 60; normal temperature, 66.

There's Been a Slight Error in the Announcement



American Ace Fights Thrilling Air Battle

Lieut. Rickenbacher, Singlehanded, Bests Five Huns and Rescues Another Flyer Whose Machine Is Crippled in Collision; Yankees Do Brilliant Work

With the American Army in France, Thursday, May 30.—There was much aerial activity on the front northwest of Toul to-day and two, if not three, German machines were shot down.

Lieutenant Edward Rickenbacher, the former automobile racer, not only brought down one machine, but rescued Lieutenant James A. Meissner, of Brooklyn, after his machine had been damaged. Singlehanded, Rickenbacher attacked two Albatross biplanes and three monoplanes. After he had fired a hundred rounds into one of the biplanes it fell crashing

to the ground. The lieutenant turned and attacked another, which sought safety in flight. Meanwhile, the remaining German machines had descended too low for Rickenbacher to attack.

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ALLIED LEFT FLANK IS DRIVEN BACK BY HUNS

ENEMY GAINING GROUND ON THE AISNE FRONT

French Maintain Positions Near Soissons by Powerful Defense

RHEIMS LINE IS HOLDING

Heroic Resistance Keeps the Crown Prince From Advancing at Dangerous Point

By Associated Press

Paris, May 31.—The German long range bombardment of Paris was resumed early this morning.

Keeping the tide of their advance in the center flowing strongly, although seemingly less swiftly, toward the Marne, the Germans simultaneously have executed a stroke on the allied left flank that has extended the battle line westward and virtually linked up the present battlefield with that of the Somme.

The attack was delivered along the Ailette river, northwest of Soissons. Sweeping forward in the salient that projected between the Somme and the Aisne battlefields, the Germans drove the allied line back so that it now runs northward from the vicinity of Soissons, through Epagny and Blancourt to the Oise river, apparently at its point of junction with the Oise canal, about eight miles east of Noyon.

Near the Marne

The Noyon area was included within the field of the German offensive in March when the French established new lines along the Oise and the Oise Canal to the east and southwest of that town after being driven back below St. Quentin. The German drive down the Oise Valley toward Paris was then checked. The present offensive movement here suggests the possibility of its resumption.

The advance in the center has now brought the Germans within two miles of the Marne at one point, Paris dispatches report. The wedge there appears increasingly narrow, however, and on its flanks both Soissons and Rheims the enemy is reported firmly held.

Huns Fail at Soissons

The French war office announces the breaking down of enemy attacks in the Soissons area and to the south, while on the other hand the line extending northward toward Rheims from the neighborhood of

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Americans Raid Hun Trenches and Inflict Damage on the Enemy

By Associated Press

With the American Army in France, May 31.—American forces northwest of Toul carried out a successful raid against the German lines late last night.

The American troops went over the top along a front of 500 yards. At the same time the American artillery opened fire. The men advanced behind the barrage while the guns pounded the enemy lines and rear areas.

Engineers blew up the enemy entanglements. The infantry swarmed through the defenses, where there was fighting in which the Germans sustained losses.

Two prisoners were taken by the Americans. One of them attempted to escape on the way across No Man's Land and was killed by a Massachusetts corporal.

Parents Get Word of Drowning of Son, in Service, in Curtis Bay

Charles E. Hipple, aged 18, was drowned in Curtis bay yesterday. Hipple was in the military service and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Hipple, 117 Dewberry street. The drowning was purely accidental, dispatches advise.

The body will be brought to Harrisburg and funeral services held at the home of his parents Monday morning at 10.30 o'clock. Burial will be in the East Harrisburg cemetery. The Rev. Dr. Ellis N. Kremer, pastor of the Reformed Salem Church, will officiate.

Mr. Hipple is survived by his father and mother, a brother, John H. Hipple, Langletstown, and a sister, Mrs. Carrie Richcreek, Middletown.

CIVILIANS MURDERED

London, May 31.—The Germans, in their reprisals against peasant disorders in the Ukraine, drenched several villages near Kiev with gas, according to a Petrograd dispatch to the daily Express. Thus, adds the message, whole communities were asphyxiated.

HOSPITALS ARE AGAIN ATTACKED BY BARBARIANS

Nurses, Babies and Civilians Killed by Bombs Dropped by Hun Flyers

By Associated Press

With the British Army in France, May 31.—Another big British hospital was bombed yesterday morning, and once more many medical attendants and some patients were killed or wounded.

The hospital caught fire after a large section of the building had been demolished by a bomb. A few women were among the slain and their bodies, together with those of a considerable number more of the personnel and patients are buried in the ruins, according to the latest reports.

With the American Army in France, May 29.—German airmen made a pretentious raid on the area behind the American lines in Picardy last night. Bombs were dropped on all sides of one of the largest hospitals in a town many miles to the rear of the front. American and French wounded soldiers were carried to cellars and caves by American nurses and members of the American Red Cross.

Only a few persons were injured by flying glass, as most of the windows in the hospital had been shattered by bombs during the previous night. Several private houses were wrecked and a number of civilians, including several babies, were killed and injured.

On Big Scale

That the raid was planned on a much larger scale than recent ones over this territory is evidenced from reports made by many Americans in villages over which the raiders passed. The Germans came in wave formation and then scattered widely. One squadron dropped bombs a few hundred feet from an American field hospital and at the same time one of the long-range guns shelled a village a few hundred yards away.

The first alarm was sounded at 11 o'clock. The dropping of bombs and the firing of many anti-aircraft guns began almost immediately. Later there was a brief pause after which the raiders returned, to remain almost until dawn.

Nurses Suffered

A new American hospital had been opened only yesterday in a certain village. A bomb fell in front of it last night and shattered windows, but none of the patients was injured.

In some instances the bombs fell within thirty and forty feet of a hospital building, but, fortunately, there were no direct hits. A French nurse, her mother and two little sisters were injured.

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Traces of Disease Germs Are Reported in Tests of City's Milk Supply

The report of city food inspectors and the city bacteriologist on tests of milk, cream and ice cream samples shows that of the twenty-eight milk samples eight showed the presence of disease germs and five were below the butter fat standards. Dealers whose milk contained germs follow: J. Aronson, 8,500 per cubic centimeter; Brenner & Son, 600; G. M. Carroll, 1,100; Aaron Gordon, 400; C. A. Hoak, 1,700; D. J. Horwitz, 1,600; C. E. Low, 100; Pennsylvania Milk Products Company, 100. Those below butter fat standards: E. B. Ebersole, B. Foster, H. Katzman, J. Metrovitch, two samples.

Of the fourteen cream tests, only one was below the butter fat standard. The sample was taken at the Crystal restaurant. C. E. Sheesley was the producer.

Nine of the eighteen ice cream samples showed the presence of disease germs. They were from the following dealers: Anna Aumiller, 1,700 per cubic centimeter; E. S. Brennaman, 2,000; George Colton, 100; G. W. Connor, 1,500; S. Ferraro, 1,400; Hershey Creamery Company, 2,000; Palace confectionery, 8,300; Russ Brothers, 9,700; C. R. Wolf, 4,000.

Kaiser Feeding Eighty Divisions of the Cannon

By Associated Press

London, Thursday, May 30.—Forty German divisions are engaged in the Aisne battle and forty more divisions are in reserve, says a dispatch from Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters. It is possible, the dispatch adds, that the enemy may strike another blow for Aimsens or Dunkirk, but for the moment he appears to be throwing his entire strength into the conflict of the Aisne. Soissons was reported to have been in flames Wednesday evening.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edwin B. Harris, Harrisburg, and Mary E. Dando, Tower City; Uriah G. McElroy and Salome Blosser, Harrisburg; Paul T. Ricker, Harrisburg, and Levenia T. Burridge, Hummelstown; Walter E. Burns and Mildred M. Thomas, Harrisburg; Percy H. McGinnis and Nellie B. Foulk, Harrisburg; George E. Offenbach, Harrisburg, and Ruth M. LeVan, Penbrook.

YANKEES MOW DOWN ENEMY TO HOLD VILLAGE

German Infantry Driven Back in Disorder by Withering U. S. Fire

HUN TANKS TAKE COVER

American Artillery Smothers Opposition Fire About Captured Village

By Associated Press

With the American Army in France, Thursday, May 30.—German artillery in the course of the night severely bombarded the new positions of the Americans at Cantigny, west of Montdidier. They fired as many as four thousand high explosive shells in a brief space of time. Several attempts made by the Germans to come over were repulsed with heavy losses by the Americans. Four German counterattacks yesterday against the American troops at Cantigny, west of Montdidier, were repulsed after sharp fighting.

In one of the attacks made against the Americans in Cantigny the Germans tried to use tanks. The enemy infantry had so more than shown itself than the American artillery opened a heavy fire. Both the foot soldiers and the tanks were driven back in disorder.

The new American positions in

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BREAD SHORTAGE IS BEING MET BY LARGE BAKERIES

To Stop Out-of-Town Shipments if City Supply Runs Low

Harrisburg will suffer no bread shortage due to the closing of the three Bernard Schmidt controlled bakeries, according to the men who to-day took up the task of supplying the entire city. Despite the fact that the three Schmidt plants produced over 105,000 "counts" (bread, rolls, etc.) daily for Harrisburg and suburban trade, more than one-half of the supply produced in this section, Harrisburgers will get all the bread they need.

The West Shore Baking Company and the Standard Baking Company are bending every effort to see that there is no bread shortage in Harrisburg. Each of the plants are running full capacity twenty-four hours each day and seven days each week. In case the bread supply produced by the two plants is not sufficient to

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Harrisburg Boy Escapes Shell Fragments in Raid

Word reached here to-day that Guy W. Showers, a Harrisburg boy, serving on the western front in the Ambulance Corps, narrowly escaped death yesterday when a Hun airman dropped bombs in the vicinity of young Showers. The attack occurred when Showers, with other American soldiers, was unloading wounded men from the ambulances. They were peppered by flying bits of steel.

Showers is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Showers, 424 South Third street, a graduate of the Technical High School in the 1913 class and later graduating from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. He was employed at the drugstore of City Commissioner E. Z. Gross. Showers enlisted at the local recruiting station on May 15 of last year and received his training at San Antonio and later Fort Hamilton, N. Y. He is serving as a private in the Twelfth Ambulance Corps.

Lieutenant Killed in Auto Crash on Way to Camp

Gettysburg, May 31.—Lieutenant Brenton, aged 22, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, a member of the Three Hundred and Third Battalion at Camp Colt here, was almost instantly killed late last night when the automobile which he was driving smashed into a bridge railing in the vicinity of York Springs. Lieutenant Brenton, accompanied by Miss Lillian Kissinger, of town, visited Harrisburg during the day and on way to trouble with the steering wheel were driving slowly toward Gettysburg. The force of the collision knocked the lieutenant against the steering wheel, killing him instantly. The body is being prepared to be sent to his home in Iowa.

Sweden Releases 400,000 Tons of Ships to Allies, State Department Hears

Washington, May 31.—More than 400,000 tons of ships are released to the United States and the allies by Sweden under the terms of the commercial agreement signed at Stockholm by representatives of the two nations to-day.

WEST SHORE SOLDIER KILLED IN WAR OVERSEAS

Howard L. Spidel, Son of Marysville Couple, Killed in Action on War Front

One more boy of this district has fallen a victim of the Hun. He is Private Howard L. Spidel, of Marysville. To-day's casualty list includes the name of Howard L. Spidel, Union Furnace, Huntingdon county, as killed in action. Young Spidel, who had been residing at Union Furnace, came to Marysville early last spring and lived with his brother, Harry Spidel, Ann street, while working as a laborer on the Pennsylvania railroad. Last April he enlisted in the United States Infantry.

The parents of Howard L. Spidel, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Spidel, live in South Main street, Marysville, and this morning they said that they believed the man mentioned in to-day's dispatches is their son. Their son is known to have been in France as a member of Company A, 28th Infantry. Dispatches several months ago told that he had been slightly wounded in a previous engagement. He was 21 years old.

Spidel is the first Perry county man to lose his life in this conflict.

Divorced in Lebanon, Soldier Hastens Here to Take New Wife

Divorced to-day in the Lebanon county courts, Uriah G. McElroy, 25, of this city, called at the marriage license bureau and took out a certificate to wed Salome Blosser, 18, also of Harrisburg. McElroy told the clerk his divorce was granted to-day. McElroy and Miss Blosser were married by Alderman Charles Emmet Murray. The groom leaves to-night with a contingent of drafted men for his training camp.

THREE WOMEN AUTO VICTIMS

Huntingdon, W. Va., May 31.—Three women were killed and three persons injured, two seriously, yesterday, when a large automobile in which they were riding crashed through the guard rail of the Nine Mile bridge on the Ohio river north of this city. All the victims were residents of Huntingdon.