

**INVENTOR HERE WITH ITALY'S WAR MISSION**



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**A GENERAL SURVEY OF THE WAR**

Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British forces in France, refuses to accept Hindenburg's verdict that the entente's spring drive is over and has failed. As if in reply to the message from the kaiser to the empress, the British drove home a powerful punch to the southwest of Lens, the big French coal city.

"Good progress already has been made on the front attack and a number of prisoners have been captured," was all the official report said. The past has taught the war office to take no chances in reporting "good progress." Good news is, therefore, looked for.

Unofficially it is figured that 713 airplanes were shot down on the western front in May, of which 442 were German and 271 British and French. British headquarters admitted the loss of eighty-six machines, but as the French do not announce any war losses it is impossible to verify the inference that they lost 185. The estimate of 271 is compiled from German official reports. Total air losses for April were estimated at 709.

Arrangements have been completed with the German government for the withdrawal of all British war prisoners from the firing line, according to an official announcement. The prisoners will be kept a minimum distance of 1 1/2 miles from the actual front, both in the eastern and western zones.

According to Rome reports Austrian losses between May 14 and 29 are estimated at 85,000 dead, wounded and missing, including five generals and forty high officers. One hundred can non have been taken or destroyed. The Giornale di Italia says that Emperor Charles soon will proclaim Trieste autonomous whereby it will become a free city, like Hamburg and Bremen. The announcement, the paper says, will be accompanied by numerous amnesties.

Heavy gun firing reaching a stage of great intensity in the region of the dunes on the Belgian coast and in the Ypres bend, particularly in the Wytschaete sector, says the official statement issued by the German army headquarters staff.

Reports from both Berlin and London indicate the probability that an important military movement by the allies is under way on the Belgian front—possibly an attempt in force to hit the German flank on the coast a crushing blow.

A pitch of notable intensity such as usually precedes an attack has been reached by the artillery fire near the coast and to the south in the Ypres district. The German war office announces this extremely heavy bombardment.

Between April 15 and May 24 the number of German prisoners falling into French hands reached a total of 31,829, of whom 28,046 were unwounded. This period covers three phases of the general attack, now temporarily abated, which the French undoubtedly will continue when the proper moment arrives.

Upon an almost forgotten theater of war signs flared up of a new menace to Austria-Hungary at a moment when it needs all available man-power on the Isonzo.

The Rome war office issued a brief bulletin announcing the capture of four villages in Albania, northwest of the Adriatic seaport of Avlona. No details were given, but the advance is taken as the beginning of a new offensive against the dual monarchy whose troops occupy most of Albania. The Italian forces there virtually form the extreme left wing of General Sarrail's Balkan army.

**MORE TORNADO DEATHS**

Fifty-two Persons Killed and More Than 300 Injured in Missouri.

Reports from southeast Missouri said fifty-two persons were killed and more than 300 injured in the tornado which swept about thirty towns in that section Wednesday and Thursday.

A report from Cape Girardeau said seventeen persons were dead and fifteen injured at Zalma.

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British might asserted itself on a gigantic scale and, after one of the most tremendous blows which has yet been launched against the German hordes, the fruits of the great offensive have not been fully calculated, so vast was the onslaught.

Today the town of Messines and a score of other important points are in British hands. The Germans made prisoner already run into four figures, with the totals increasing as further reports are received.

More than 1,000,000 pounds of high explosives was blown up under the Teutons' forward positions—the most gigantic mining operation in the history of war—spreading panic among the kaiser's troops.

The Germans were taken completely by surprise, as proved by the fact that the Twenty-third Bavarian regiment was being relieved at the moment the attack opened.

The German forces holding Messines ridge and the salient surrounding it seemed to have been utterly demoralized by the force of the British attack. They attempted three counter attacks, but there was no power behind any of them. The heaviest was absolutely broken up by the British artillery barrage before reaching the infantry lines. The two other counter attacks were attempted by disorganized German infantry without artillery preparation or any support whatever. Very heavy losses were inflicted on the Germans in consequence. Few who went into these attacks came out unscathed.

A British light cruiser and destroyer flotilla sunk one German destroyer, the S-20, and damaged another in an engagement with six enemy destroyers at long range, the admiralty reported, in telling of a sea and air raid on Ostend.

Ostend was bombarded with "good results," the admiralty declared. Shore batteries returned the British fire, but there were no casualties on the British ships and no damage done to the attacking vessels.

For the first time since the start of the war France's official peace terms have been made public. The chamber of deputies, by a vote of 453 to 55, adopted a resolution setting forth the republic's war aims, which are said to represent those of the entente allies. These peace conditions include liberation of all territories occupied by Germany, the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France and just reparation for damage done to invaded regions. The resolution, which was accepted by the government, also favors creation of a league of nations for maintenance of peace.

**LABOR WANTS FOOD LAW**

"Drive on Congress" Planned to Avoid Serious Unrest.

Following a conference with Herbert C. Hoover, selected to head the new food administration, an organization was affected by representatives of the American Federation of Labor, the four railroad brotherhoods, the National Federation of Postal employees and the "labor group" in congress for a concerted drive upon congress to demand immediate adoption of food legislation.

The labor representatives expressed concern over the situation which might face the country if prices kept soaring and something was not done to conserve this year's harvest, for which it was understood representatives of the neutral countries were bidding.

**Peasants Urge Army to Action.**

The congress of peasants in Petrograd adopted a resolution calling upon the army to submit itself to discipline and defend revolutionary Russia. The congress affirms the duty of those it represents to defend the country energetically and make every sacrifice to sustain the fighting strength of the army.

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**An Odd Court Incident.** Sensational incidents are not uncommon in the closing stages of famous criminal trials. One of the most remarkable occurred in Melbourne on the last day of the trial of Ned Kelly, known as the "ironclad bushranger of Australia." A knife dropped from a gallery overhead and fell at the feet of the desperado in the dock. He had every temptation to grasp it and put an end to his existence, for there was not the slightest chance of his escaping the gallows. But it was promptly picked up by a bailiff, and its owner was arrested and brought before the judge. He pleaded that the occurrence was purely accidental, and the explanation was accepted by the court.

Garden designers should forget styles and design for comfort and pleasure only. They would then avoid many very serious errors that are now quite common.

(Continued from Page 1) sacrifices are all in vain.

New York "Tribune"—President Wilson is beginning to shift the emphasis in explaining why we are at war. There has been too much transcendentalism in previous explanations. Mr. Wilson has insisted too exclusively on the altruistic aspect of the war. In the "Tribune's" opinion the fighting spirit of the country can be more successfully aroused by an insistence on the concrete grievances which we have against Germany than by treating the war as a wholly unselfish enterprise, conducted with more or less abstract aims. The war is now an American war as much as it is a European war. Americans should begin to think of it as such. German arrogance strikes at us as well as at France, Great Britain and Russia. When we strike back we are fighting for ourselves.

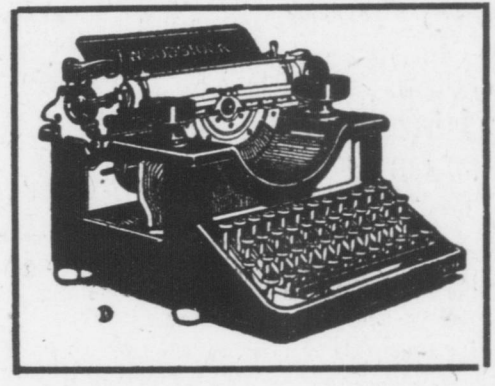
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