

to by American Press Associatio A British war office report quotes Field Marchal Haig as saying "all the objectives" were gained in a blow at the Bavarian troops north of the Scarpe. German positions on a front of a pile on the wastern shown of Scarpe. G of a mile on the western slopes of Greenland hill (1) were captured. Be Greenland hill (1) were captured, he sides this action progress was made in the sector west of Loos (2), and trenches north of Armentieres (3) were raided. The activity extended as far north as Ypres. the war.

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### **CLOUDBURST HITS** MONONGAHELA VALLEY

Two Persons Missing, Twenty Hurt. Many Pennsylvania Towns Dam-aged by Violent Rainstorm. Two persons-a woman and a girl-were drowned, a score were injured and more than thirty others were rescued from probable drowning, follow-ing a cloudburst in the Monongahela valley. One dwelling was washed away in

Dookers Hollow, Braddock, three other residences were destroyed and half of the houses in the hollow were

Munhall creek overflowed its banks munnall creek overlowed its banks and bridges spanning the creek for nearly two miles were washed away. The water entered dwellings and caused damage throughout the valley. It is estimated the damage done will exceed \$25,000.

exceed \$25,000. Mrs. Anna Ivon, aged thirty-two, and Mary Buzo, aged nine, both of Dookers Hollow, were drowned. Mrs. Ivon was last seen sitting on the porch of her home, with her baby in her arms. Both were swept from the porch. The child was injured when the body. the body

The others injured were removed by residents of the little foreign settle-ment to the offices of physicians. It is estimated fully twenty feet o

water passed through Dookers Hollow, which is one mile long and a quarter-mile wide. There are forty houses in the hollow

## PERSHING AND STAFF GUESTS OF ENGLAND

American Commander Will Remain In

London Several Days—To Inspect Big English Training Camps. Major General Pershing, comman-der of the American expeditionary army to France, and his staff, arrived

an London. The expected arrival of General Pershing and his party had been kept a fairly close secret from the London public.

l Pershing and the twelve officers of his senior staff are guests of the British government. The remain-der of the contingent will be looked by American societies in Lon-

after by American societies in Lon-don. General Pershing and his staff ar-rived at an English port after an un-eventful trip. All the members of his party were in good health and spirits. Their ship was escorted into port by American destroyers. A hearty wei-ure a catcorded to the Americans

The pursuit ended in the public square at Stockton. Claude Piersol, who had been arrested as a kidnaper, and alleged leader of the band, was and alleged leader of the band, was singled out as a special victim of the mob's wrath. A rope was brought and placed about his neck and the noose was thrown over the rafters of the bandstand. Calmly the man watched the preparations. With the rope in the hands of several men ready at any moment to choke him to death, he smiled calmly. His cool confidence and seemingly indifference cast a spell upon the throng. Speaking in a con-Germany," the president asserts, and as evidence of this he points to the effort of the German ruling class to use certain groups and parties in the empire "to promote a propaganda on both sides of the sea which will pre-serve for them their influence at home and their power abroad, to the un-doing of the very men they are using." The message continues: "The position of America in this and seemingly indifference cast a spon upon the throng. Speaking in a con-versational tone, seemingly unmoved, he addressed them. Without emotion he denied complicity in the crime. When he had finished he said: war is so clearly avowed that no man

"I guess you are going to kill me." "Yes," the crowd shouted "Well, you might as well go ahead d got it areas with "

and get it over with. With this statement Pierson folded

With this statement pierson toded his arms. His action took the crowd by sur-prise and it was feared that he might be innocent. Other members of the party were brought forth and threat-ened with hanging, but aside to con-fessing to another kidnaping case they made no admissions.

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"The position of America in this war is so clearly avowed that no man can be misled into mistaking it. She seeks no material profit or aggrandize-ment of any kind. She is fighting for no advantage or selfish object of her own, but for the liberation of peoples everywhere from the aggressions of autocratic force. The ruling classes in Germany have begun of late to pro-fess a like liberatily and justice of purpose, but only to preserve the power they have set up in Germany and the selfsh advantages which they have wrongly gained for themselves and their private projects of power all the way from Berlin to Bagdad and beyond. Government after gov-ernment has by their influence, with-out open conquest of its territory, been linked together in a net of intrigue directed against nothing less than the peace and liberty of the world. The meshes of that intrigue must be brok-en, but cannot be broken unless wrongs already done are undone; and adequate measures must be taken to prevent it from ever again being re-wovem or repaired. "Of course, the imperial German government and those whom it is using for their own undoing are seek-ing to obtain pledges that the war will end in the restoration of the status quo ante. It was the status quo ante out of which this injuitous war issued forth; the power of the imperial Ger-man government within the empire and its widespread domination and in-fluence outside of that empire. That status must be altered in such fashion The body of the fourteen-months-old child was found by a sheriff's posse which had gone to a "haunted" house,

which had gone to a "haunted" house, long since abandoned in the Qaark mountains, eight miles southwest of here. In some way not yet explained the sheriff was told that trace of the child could be found on the farm. It was several hours before they thought of the well. A deputy was lowered into the opening while others held him by his feet. And there was found the body of "Buddie" Keet, wrapped in the pink blanket which was upon his bed the night he was stelen. A woman's skirt, too, of black silk substance, was wrapped around the body, and the only evidence left by those who threw the body into the water. That status must be altered in such fashion as to prevent any such hideous thing from ever happening again. "We are fighting for the liberty, the water.

## SLACKERS ROUNDED UP Men Who Avoided Registration In

self-government and the undertated de-velopment of all peoples, and every feature of the settlement that con-cludes this war must be conceived and executed for that purpose. Wrongs must first be righted and their ade-Men Who Avoided Registration in Law's Toils. One hundred and forty Industrial Workers of the World are held in Rockford, Freeport and Belvedere, Ill., the department of justice announced. They are charged with wiltul refusal to register and with agitation against conscription. The Chicago office of the department of justice has sent special agents to these cities to in-vestigate the cases. quate safeguards must be created to prevent their being committed again. We ought not to consider remedies merely because they have a pleasing sonorous sound. Practical questions can be settled only by practical means. Phrases will not accomplish the result. Effective readjustments will, and whatever readjustments are

special agents to these cities to in-vestigate the cases. In Chicago nine negroes who fied from Greenville, Miss., to avoid regis-tration were taken into custody. Salvatore Zumpano, an I. W. W. or-ganizer, is under arrest in Scranton, Pa., charged with having refused to register

"But they must be made. "But they must follow a principle and that principle is plain. No peo-ple must be forced under sovereignty under which it does not wish to live register. Charges of a widespread plot in the

tate of Wisconsin to defeat the draft by discouraging registration, were laid before President Wilson. L. W. Nieman, editor of the Mil-waukee Journal, and Senator Hustin

laid before the president evidence of German intrigue in Wisconsin, Sym-

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A GENERAL SURVEY OF

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THE WAR 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 offen-sive 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 his

tory 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 regi-

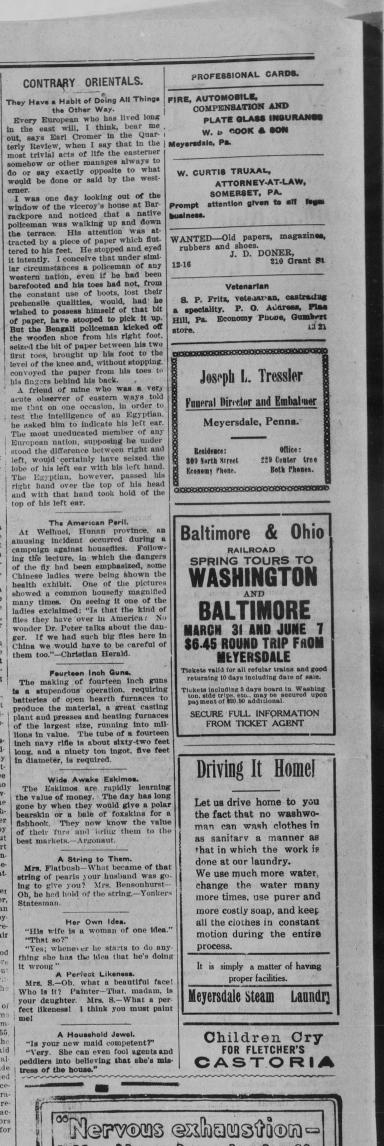
that the Twenty-third Bavarian regi-ment was being relieved at the mo-ment the attack opened. The German forces holding Mes-sines ridge and the salient surround-ing it seemed to have been utterly demoralized by the force of the Brit-ish attack. They attempted three counter attacks, but there was no power behind any of them. The heav-iest was absolutely broken up by the lest was absolutely broken up by the British artillery barrage before reach-ing 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 in-flicted on the Germans in conse-quence. Few who went into these at

duchce. Few who were not these are tacks 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 destroy. ers at long range, the admirally re-ported, in telling of a sea and air raid on Ostend. Ostend was bombarded with "good

tuits," the odvairalty declared. Shore tteries returned the British fire, but results," the were no casualties on the Brit hips and no damage done to the ing vessels.

For the first time since the start of For the first time since the start of the war France's official peace terms have been made public. The cham-ber of deputies, by a vote of 453 to 55, adopted a resolution setting forth the regubic's war aims, which are said to represent those of the entente al-'ies. These peace conditions include beration of all territories occupied by Germany, the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France and just repara-tion for damage done to invaded re-

Lorraine to France and just repara-tion for damage done to invaded re-gons. The resolution, which was ac-cepted by the government, also favors creation of a league of nations for maintenance of peace.



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THE MEYERSDALE COMMERCIAL, MEYERSDALE, PA.

come was extended to the Americans by official representatives of the ad-miralty, the war office and the muni-cipal authorities. The war office has assigned a brigadier general of the British army as aid to General Persh-tars common covenant; some genuin

# TO PROBE DANIELS' CHARGE

Senate Naval Affairs Committee Takes

Up Spy Allegations. The senate naval affairs committee takes decided on a thorough investigation of the documents and papers declared by Secretary of the Navy Daniels to have

Secretary of the Nary Daniels to have been stolen from the navy's confiden-tial files by a spy or traitor. The inquiry will embrace a sifting of the charges, accompanying the stolen documents, of defective am-munition in the navy. Records stolen from the confiden-tial files of the United States navy led Secretary Daniels to make the charge. Indications were that the letters and the stolen stole from the confiden-tial files of the United States navy led Secretary Daniels to make the charge. Secretary Daniels to make the charge. Indications were that the letters and documents had been filched from the ordnance department or the Indian Head proving ground, where navy juns and ammunition are tested.

Rome Denies Losing 27,000. Rome Denter are even by the Official denial was received by the be generous, but we cannot allor waters shortly to engage in surfaces of the Articlan was office that then or now to be weak or omit any single guarantee of justice and se curity."

Period of Grace For Leniency Over. Arrests to Be Next. Orders went out to all police depart-ments to bring in the slackers. The common covenant; some genuine and practical co-operation, that will in ef-fect combine their force to secure peace and justice in the dealings of nations with one another. The broth-erhood of mankind must no longer period of leniency allowed by the pro-rost marshal general in regard to per-sons registering has passed. Beginning Tuesday police will arrest be a fair but empty phrase; it must be given a structure of force and reality. The nations must realize their common life and effect a work and

any and all men who have not reg-istered. They will be taken "forcibly if necessary" before the proper au-thorities and will be required to register.

Wooden Ship Contracts Let. Wooden Ship Contracts Let. The shipping board announced in Washington that contracts for 160 wooden ships had been let within the past ten days, 100 ships to the Southern Pine association and sixty ships to various firms on the western coast, with an option for forty more at the same price. Here the same price ships to the same price ships unite or show conquering force again in the great cause of human liberty. "The day has come to conquer or nubmit. If the forces of autocracy can divide us, they will overcome us; if we stand together, victory is cer-tain and the liberty which victory will secure. We can afford then to be generous, but we cannot afford then or now to be weak or omit any vice of unstructed of instite and se-

Paris Expects More Destroyers. The Paris Matin stated that another flotilla of United States destroyers and patrol boats is expected in European waters shortly to engage in subma-flot

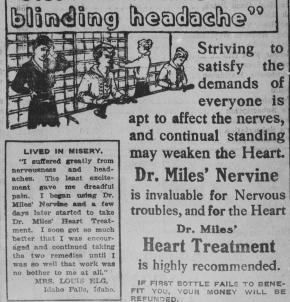
LABOR WANTS FOOD LAW

# 'Drive on Congress" Planned to Avoid

Serious Unrest. Following a conference with Her-bert C. Hoover, selected to head the new food administration, an orthe new food administration, an or-ganization was affected by represent-atives of the American Federation of Labor, the four railroad brotherhoods, the National Federation of Posial em-ployees and the "labor group" in congress for a concerted drive upon con-gress 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

the army to submit itself to discipline and defend revolutionary Russia. The congress affirms the duty of those it represents to derend the country energetically and make every sacrito sustain the fighting strength of the army.



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