

GERMANS, DEFINITELY HALTED. TWO WEEKS AGO, HAVE FAILED TO RENEW OFFENSIVE IN WEST

They Apparently Have Been Waiting For Foch to Strike With His Reserve Forces.

WOULD BE WELCOME MOVE

But Allies Have Been Watchfully Waiting and Strengthening Lines at Same Time.

FRENCH MAKE ADVANCES

Carry Out Successful Operations At Various Points.

Another week has passed without a renewal by the Germans of the offensive they began March 21, which was halted before Amiens early in April, and came to a definite pause on its right flank before the barrier of the Flanders hills just as the month of May was opening.

Ever since the costly defeat of General von Arnim's army in its desperate assault on the front southwest of Ypres near two weeks ago, the beginning of a new effort by the enemy either here or on some other front has been looked for from day to day. Possibly the Germans have been waiting for some allied counter blow, which they felt able to withstand and, therefore, hoped would be dealt.

No Time to Lose. If this was the case, they must have been disappointed by the waiting attack of General Foch, which, it is felt, will now compel the enemy to reveal his further purpose with little delay, as time is one of the things he cannot afford to squander, with the American forces now rapidly swelling to formidable numbers.

If, as is considered certain, the Germans have employed such time as they have felt impelled to spend in building up the machinery for a new attack on probably an even greater scale than before, it is equally sure that the allied armies under their united command have not neglected to employ the interval in making every position possible to meet the German blow.

Allies on the Alert. Every day gives evidence of the alertness of the allied forces. Numerous minor operations have been undertaken to improve their position on the various fronts and their artillery fire has been directed to equally good purpose in breaking up the organizing efforts of the enemy. Airplane raids, without number, in which the superiority of the entente air forces has been clearly shown, have served the same end, besides the notably productive of valuable information while innumerable infantry raids have been almost uniformly fruitful in an informal sense.

French Improve Positions. Reports of the allied position reported Saturday included an advance by the French on the Flanders front, in the neighborhood of Loos, where the approaches to Mont Rouge, one of the bulwarks of the allied line, have been made more secure.

Far to the south, on the Somme, on the southerly side of the great Montdidier salient, French troops likewise carved a slice out of German-held territory, near Orville-Sorel, seven miles southeast of Montdidier.

As a complement to both these operations were numerous successful raids, notably one by the French in the region north of Grivesnes, southeast of Amiens, near the point where General Petains troops made a notable advance as the result of a local attack Thursday, and another along the line southeast of Montdidier. The British carried out profitable raiding operations near the westerly end of the Lys salient in Flanders.

Indications for Germany in East. Indications of multiplying that Germany's position in the east is causing her uneasiness. She is reported to have made additional demands on Russia which are said to have affected sensibly the sentiment of the Bolsheviks, whose attempts to weld an army into shape, the Germans are attempting to thwart.

In the Ukraine the situation is even more disturbing to the Germans, according to current dispatches, which announce a growing anti-German sentiment because of the repressive measures of the Teutons. To meet this additional German troops are being sent to the disturbed regions, the western front being drawn upon for cavalry, dispatches from Dutch sources announce. These report Bavarian horsemen arriving at Liege, Belgium, on their way to the Ukraine.

Americans March Through London. Troops of the new national army of the United States paraded through London Saturday, three battalions of them, to the plaudits of large crowds and the compliments of King George, Premier Lloyd-George and other notable.

TO ERECT THOUSANDS OF HOMES FOR WAR WORKERS Norfolk, Va., May 11.—Rear Admiral Harris, representing the navy department, today took up with a chamber of commerce committee the government's proposal to aid in the erection of thousands of permanent homes in this section for the housing of workmen engaged in government work. The government will finance the construction of the homes on vacant property on long terms and at a low rate of interest.

National Army Men March Through Streets of London

London, May 11.—Three thousand American soldiers marched through London today. They were men of the new national army of which Londoners had often heard, but whom they had never before been privileged to see in march order.

The weather was perfect and London turned out in masses, the crowds being even greater than when the American engineers marched over the same route several months ago.

There was a difference in the welcome which London gave today's marchers. When the engineers marched, American troops were curiosities and were cheered as something novel and new. Today London has become accustomed to American khaki and the marchers were greeted as friends and brothers.

The Americans, who were virtually all from New York city, marched in column of fours from Wellington barracks over a three mile route, circling that part of London in which are located the government offices, the embassies and the principal public buildings.

With American preciseness, the parade kept exactly to the time table which was laid out for it.

On the war office balcony were Premier Lloyd-George and the war cabinet which had suspended its sitting in order to view the paraders.

In front of Buckingham palace the densest crowd of all was assembled around the white marble memorial to Queen Victoria. Just before the head of the line swung around the corner, King George and Queen Mary, the dowager queen, Alexandra, and the Duke of Connaught, appeared at the main entrance of the palace and walked out across the court yard to the street in front of the middle gate, where they shook hands with General Biddle. The king stood in the center of the sidewalk and took the salute from the guard of honor, which with the famous grenadiers band was drawn up in the street.

A touch was given to the parade (Continued on Page Two.)

'VISION' PICTURED PRESIDENT AND HIS CABINET IN FLIGHT

America's Industrial Structure "Seen" to Tumble as Result of I. W. W. Sabotage.

TROOPS WERE DISBANDING

Federal Officials Were in Panic and the Rich Were Fleeing In Private Yachts.

Chicago, May 11.—An adjournment tonight of the trial of 112 Industrial Workers of the World, charged with seditious conspiracy, the government had virtually completed introduction of printed matter seized during raids last year on I. W. W. headquarters in half a score of cities throughout the United States.

The story of a "vision," which came to Harrison George, a defendant, and which pictured President Wilson and his cabinet in flight while the I. W. W. rose up as saviors of the world was read into the record today by the government.

It is charged in the narrative, of which the vision is the theme, was given wide circulation during last summer as a part of the anti-war propaganda with which members of the organization are charged. In the vision, America's industrial structure was pictured as tumbling like a house of blocks as the result of I. W. W. sabotage against great producing plants.

"Workers of all lands, arouse," exhorted the printed version of the "vision." "Conscription is a challenge. We call upon workers of America and all involved nations to meet conscription or declarations of war by general strikes and insurrection. We call upon you in that hour to seize control of all authorities. Break your chains. Assert your power."

"Motivation is crippled more and more as the days pass," the pamphlet continued after asserting the I. W. W. had been deluged with pledges of support and that world strikes were about to occur.

"Federal officials are in a panic and the rich are fleeing from the country in private yachts. Through sabotage hundreds of trains are stalled, wheels of industry have ceased to turn, cities are dark and troops are disbanding for lack of food."

"The president and his cabinet leave secretly on a yacht for parts unknown, the senate flees away."

A resolution drawn up by the general executive board opposing war was placed in the records over the objection of counsel for the defense, who declared there was no evidence showing it was adopted last July as contended by the prosecution.

TWO AMERICAN AIRMEN IN FRANCE ARE MISSING

One is Probably a Prisoner in Germany—William Thaw and Paul Baer Cited For Bravery.

Paris, May 11.—Thomas Boffin, of New York, and Donald E. Stone, of Mexico, N. Y., both members of the LaFayette Flying Squadron, are missing. Stone is probably a prisoner in Germany. His machine was seen by infantry observers to fall behind the German lines after a fight in which nine French airplanes and 13 German machines were engaged.

Thaw and Baer Cited.

Paris, May 11.—Citations for American aviators in the Journal Officiel today are as follows:

"William Thaw, major (Pittsburgh), commanding the LaFayette squadron, which following its chief's example, has been remarkable for its boldness and success, a keen pilot, at the head of a patrol; downed an enemy airplane after a hard fight."

"Paul Frank Baer (Mobile), lieutenant of the same squadron, a pilot of marvelous audacity, never hesitating to engage the enemy in superior numbers, downed an enemy, the second in two days."

Lieutenant Baer has a second citation in the same issue of the Journal Officiel.

BAKER TO PERSONALLY INSPECT CAMP GREEN

Secretary With His Aides Left For Charlotte Last Night—May Change Uses of Camp.

Washington, May 11.—Secretary Baker, accompanied by Surgeon General Gorgas, Inspector General Chamberlain and Major General Black, chief of engineers, left tonight for Charlotte, N. C., where he will make a personal inspection of Camp Green. Much complaint has been made concerning "wretched conditions there which makes it difficult to drill troops following rains."

Secretary Baker and his aides will decide whether the camp can be retained for its present usage or will have to be given over to some other activity. Should they decide it to be undesirable to continue Camp Green as a divisional cantonment, it probably would be used as a concentration point for aviation or mechanical units.

PRINCESS MARY EXPERT TYPIST AND NEEDLE WORKER



Princess Mary, known affectionately throughout the kingdom as "The Queen's Deputy," has just become of age. The princess now is likely to exert an influence for the strengthening and building of war service second to that of no other woman in the empire.

PRESIDENT WILSON ISSUES MOTHERS' DAY MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA

Asks a Nation's Unity In Reverence and in Homage to Motherhood—Calls Upon All to Pray For God's Blessings Upon Mothers and Their Sons—Secretaries Baker and Daniels and Mrs. Anna Shaw Also Issue Messages.

Washington, May 11.—A nation's unity in reverence and in homage to motherhood was asked tonight by President Wilson in a Mother's day message to the American people.

Especially it is fitting at this time, the president said, that the mothers of American men who have taken up arms in defense of world liberty be revered, and he called upon all to pray to God "for His divine blessing upon them and upon their sons whose whole-hearted service is now given to the council of national defense."

Messages to American mothers also were issued tonight by Secretary of War Baker, Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, chairman of the woman's committee of the council of national defense. Mr. Baker's message was a word from the soldiers at the front asking their mothers to be of good cheer, while Mr. Daniels called upon the nation to join in prayer for all mothers of the defenders of democracy.

President Wilson's message, issued in response to a house resolution, said: "I take the liberty of calling special attention to the fact that this is Mothers' day, and I take advantage of the occasion to suggest that during this day our attention be directed particularly to the patriotic sacrifices which are being so freely and generously made by the mothers of our land in unselfishly offering their sons to bear arms, and, if need be, to die in defense of liberty and justice, and that we especially remember these mothers in our prayers, praying God for His divine blessing upon them and upon their sons whose wholehearted service is now given to the country which we love."

The National Association for Mothers of Defenders of Democracy announced tonight that it had set aside tomorrow as a day of prayer. "The result desired," said the announcement, "is to cheer, console and strengthen the hearts of the mothers who have sons in the camp or trench, and to secure through mothers' letters to their sons a higher spiritual soldier-morale."

THE OTHER MESSAGES FOLLOW:

Secretary Baker. "I bring you a message from our boys in France. They are cheerful and earnest and full of light—as proud of their country, as their country is proud of them. "From you they yet draw inspiration, and to you they send a message filled with determination and with hope. They hope to make this war the last war that America will ever have to fight against a military despotism, and they want to fight till that hope has been achieved. "They ask you to be of good cheer, to be with them fondly in your thought and to sustain your hearts in the day of battle as they will sustain theirs." (Signed) "NEWTON D. BAKER."

Secretary Daniels. "To the mothers of defenders of democracy: "The courage of the mothers in the homes is reflected by the bravery of the men at the front. It is always true that the morale of a nation's soldiers and the ideals for which they fight are born in the spiritual heroism of a na-

MR. DANIELS URGES THAT METHODISTS OF AMERICA UNITE

Various Branches of Church Cannot Wisely Longer March in Separate Columns.

SPEAKS AT CONFERENCE

Denies Christian Civilization Has Failed, Saying "It Alone Is Star of Hope."

Atlanta, May 12.—Secretary Daniels speaking tonight before the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, urged all branches of American Methodism to unite into "one mighty army of militant Methodists."

Reciting how the recent unity of command in the allied armies in France had mobilized the forces of civilization into one invincible army to meet the Prussian onslaught, the secretary of the navy asked if this action did not afford a convincing reason why American Methodists should do likewise and gain strength and solidarity "in the onward movement of their mighty Christian army."

"In this supreme hour," said the secretary, "when sectionalism has blossomed into national unity and love of the republic has broadened to make possible freedom and democracy of all nations, the supreme duty of Methodists, north and south, is to make any and all sacrifices that may be necessary to mobilize Methodists into one mighty church. There is no excuse for a Northern Methodist church in Atlanta and a Southern Methodist church in Seattle. If politicians and business men have forgotten there was a Mason and Dixon's line, the Methodist church must not wisely longer march in separate columns under separate organizations."

Secretary Daniels denied that this war showed that Christian civilization has failed. "It alone is the star of hope," he said. "A strict Unitarianism discloses that in that country the state had usurped the place of God and that spiritualism had given place to materialism. No people could wantonly wage war for selfish ends had not repudiated the teachings of Jesus Christ."

Immediately after Secretary Daniels finished speaking the conference adopted resolutions "pledging both to our warriors and to our soldiers on sea and to our watchers at home our prayers that their faith fail not."

The report of the committee on episcopacy featured the session of the conference today. Bishops of the church must reside in their own dioceses. They will be assigned for a period of four years, if the committee's report is adopted. It was placed on the calendar. There has been no intimation thus far which of the bishops will be requested to reside in foreign fields.

GOVERNMENT LOSES IN U. S. S. ARETHUSA CASE

Judge Waddell Holds Ship Responsible For Series of Collisions in October, 1915.

Norfolk, Va., May 11.—In the federal court today Judge Edmund Waddell rendered a decision ending a case which has been pending for nearly three years, and in which he held the U. S. S. Arethusa responsible for a series of collisions in Hampton Roads on October 13, 1915, in which the British steamer Hesperon was so badly damaged she had to be kept afloat by tugs to a dry dock, sunk one barge and seriously damaged another.

The evidence showed that the Arethusa first rammed the Hesperon, at anchor in the Roads, and in attempting to back away, fouled the two barges Emelie and Cosmie, in tow of the tug Gwalah. The Emelie was sunk and the Cosmie had to be beached. The amount of damages, to be paid by the government, and which must be fixed by a maritime commission. The government fought the case on the ground that the Hesperon was loading a cargo of munitions in violation of harbor regulations, but the court ruled against the claim, declaring the evidence showed that the actual loading of the cargo was not in progress.

WHOLESALE FERTILIZER PRICES

Farmers Can Buy as Much as Thirty Tons at Jobbers' Prices.

Washington, May 11.—The United States department of agriculture has negotiated an agreement with manufacturers of commercial fertilizers whereby farmers in North Carolina and other states can purchase car lots of 30 tons or more at the same prices charged local merchants. This information was divulged today by Secretary of Agriculture Houston in a letter to Senator Lee S. Overman. The soaring prices of fertilizer were discussed and the department hopes to correct grave abuses.

"Beyond this, however, the department has taken no action towards regulation of prices for fertilizer ingredients up to the present time," writes the secretary to Senator Overman. "Acid phosphate is affected by the multiplied demands of munitions makers for sulphuric acid and also difficulty has been encountered in obtaining fuel oil to operate the Florida phosphate mines."

Prevent Rent Protesting.

Washington, May 11.—The senate today passed a bill designed to prevent rent protesting during the war in the District of Columbia.