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PRICE FINE CENT

FRENCH TROOPS IN LIEUT. MEISSNER BRILLIANT ATTACK CAPTURE HILL 82

Valuable Position on the Somme Line

GERMAN OFFENSIVE

Allied Commanders Expect a Renewal of Drive-Foch is Optimistic-Germany Occupies Sebastopol.

While a new German stroke on Died of accident either the northern or southern, battle front is still delayed, the French have taken the initiative in the latter feld and have delivered a telling blow southeast of Amiens.

General Retain's troops yesterday ing in action. evening drove the Germans from Hill tured the wood to the east and southeast immediately bordering on the middle western states.

tire Somme line. It was at Hailles dresses of the men. that the Germans effected their greatimportant Paris-Amiens railway.

other high ground taken by Avre not long ago, an excellent line

commanding ground of virtually all of this aid to identification. the vital spots north to the Somme. well there has been a further improvement of the Entente position. the French gaining ground in local fighting there last night.

the southern side of the Flanders sal- wounded seriously. ient and last night was bombarding Compelled to attend the wound, make any substantial headway result of the engagement. with the British lines supported as In the official announcement it is s positions behind Bethune.

es, and the enemy is expected to wounds he received. ake further attempts to reach the dannel. The supreme inter-alled far council has completed a two days esion with a meeting at Abbeville, northwest of Amiens. All military mestions were discussed and decided and the results obtained are reportto have been most satisfactorily. emie: Clemencea, who presided, d that General Foch, who, as a reof the conference, it is reported. free in the west, is very optimistic. Elsewhere on the western front, in othern Italy and in Macedonia, here has been little activity. halv the rains have ceased and the weather has improved, but the fightoperations still are confined to engagements. In Palestine the tish have re-occupied Es-Salt east the Jordan and northeast of Jeri-

Jermany and Austria-Hungary aprently are meeting with difficulties oppressing the peoples of the oc-Russian territories and as a STILL INVESTIGATING eault there is grave uneasiness in ermany. The Ukrainian govern dent has been overthrown by the ermans and it is reported that a

More than three hundred pris-

Enemy is Driven From Most TWO SOUTHERN MEN IN TODAY'S CASUALT

IS STILL DELAYED A Missourian and a Texan Among the 88 Name Given Out

> Washington, May 3.—The casualty list today contained 88 names, divided as follows:

> Died of wounds1 Died of disease

San Antonio, Texas, and Dinsmore to his hangar to receive the congra-Attacking on a front of more than Ely, of Chicago, died as a result of tulations of his comrades and to a mile between Hailles and Castel, accidents, and Lieutenant Louis M. make his report with a bashful grin Edens, Cabool, Mo., is reported miss- on his face. The lieutenant is young

g an eminence of some 250 feet were the only southern men named he has one enemy scalp hanging to overlooking the Avre river and cap in today's list, virtually all being his belt. from Connecticut and Massachusetts, The story of his exploit having with several from New York and trickled in over the telephone wire,

The ground thus gained is probably sumed today in the old form with enant's hangar. It has been report more valuable than any other of the names lists given out by the war ed that the wing of Meissner's maequal area which lies along the en- department carrying the home ad-The decision of the department to nent's airplane.

est westward penetration in their return to the manner-of issuance in "Impossible," said one of the mem-Amiens drive and at Hill 82 they were use before Secretary Baker ordered bers of Meissner's squadron before within less than three miles of the the addresses eliminated ends a con- the young aviator had returned to troversy which was waged between his billet. "If the Boche really had Adding this new terrain to the the department and the committee on scraped Jimmy with his wing, we the public information in which President would have called on the Red Cross French farther south along the Wilson was called to take a hand. to make inquiries through Switzer-

The President decided that the ad- land as to what had happened to d blenses appears to have been dresses should be made public and him." the up by the enterie forces in the return to the old form is taken | Just at that time Lieutenant Meises to mean that any military advantage ner himself jumped out of an auto-The positions of the French at the enemy might gain from the lists mobile and walked toward the group Hangard and those of the British on would not be of sufficient value to gathered about the hangar. All tried the Villers-Bretonneux ridge pre- justify the anxiety occasioned the to grasp his hand at the same time serve, the continuity of the line of relatives of soldiers by suppression and shake it while many questions

In the Villers-Bretonneux region as LIEUT. W. D. MEYERING

With the American Army The Germans are still holding off France, Thursday, May 2.—Lieutenant about 5,000 metres. There was anoth- loan total today reached \$2,838,317,- patches today from Cleveland. on the Flanders battlefront, and Ger- William D. Meyering, U. S. R., has er machine which I believe was a 300, with partial reports from yester- Atlanta district managers today man newspapers are telling the pubbeen awarded the "distinguished serFrench one, headed in the direction day's business. The Chicago district sent word that they expect every cide not to take Ypres after all, as its toon which was attacked by the er but the Boche swung down toward emy on April 6. He took measures the earth when I was just above him. The German artillery seems to to defeat the enemy and handled his I went down after him, firing all the have turned its attention chiefly to men well under fire until he was time.

the region along the 15-mile line be- the lieutenant refused assistance and walked through a barrage to a dresswalked through a barrage to a dress pening, I cut loose with by gun again.

Several thrusts at this front preing station. He objected to being smoke came from the German ma-Tously the enemy has been unable moved to the rear until he knew the chine, which headed for the interior

they are by the barrier of LeBassee declared his brave example inspired over his territory. and backed up by the command- the men to drive off the enemy who did not reach the American trenches. The German offensive is not yet Lieutenant Meyering's right hand had tell me those Germans are full of thided, in the view of military authorito be amputated as a result of the Then he have a few months and the tricks, so I kept right on his tail.

the 5,000 officers on duty in the war all the way, so I did it, and there you department's ordnance bureau has are." applied for foreign service. High of- Then the lieutenant went over and ficers in the bureau today pointed to told his mechanic about it. The pair omamnder in chief of the allied this fact as completely answ stood beside another airplane, on the

> said a high officer of ordnance today, inscription: "Fight or Buy Liberty 'where our men actually have been Bonds.' reprimanded for attempting to use outside influence to secure active and

dangerous service in France." Brigadier General C. O. Williams. there taken and the advance who was relieved as ordnance officer of the American expeditionary forces to become acting chief of ordnance, took charge of that office today.

AIRCRAFT PROGRAM

Washington, May 3.—Reopening of ister to the United States. government, presumably favor- the senate military committee's investhe Central empires, has tak tigation of the aircraft program under church and included a requiem high against \$512,775,369, and net reve of the conference. reins of power. Berlin re- consideration by members today de mass an full military honors. The nue from railway operations \$88.226. "And the situation at the front?" needed for the city's increasing popu- CHILE TO RELEASE the occupation of Sebastopol. pends, it is understood, upon the body was placed in a vault until 421, against \$175,398,488. The operasked the writer. great Russian fortress and naval weight of additional information on can be conveyed to Uruguay on a Unitating income for March was \$50.628. in the Crimea, but gives no de: the situation to be submitted by ed States warsh'p.

Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor. The strike in the important Dom- Borglum, who recently made a reh p. coal mining district of West- port to President Wilson on the air Russia, is reported to have got program unfavorable to the work thus Amsterdam, Thursday, Mya 2. fond control of the Austrian au- far accomplished, conferred with Votes taken in the Prussian lower derities. Who have adopted string committee members yesterday after house today involved the rejection of restrictive measures. In the charges of irregularities and delays in Socialist Bruan's proposal of the the invaders are being op- sirplane production had been made on right to vote beginning with the twenton of the south was reported to the ship- dispatch. The pose of stitudating interest in the sels must be used to carry carross by armed peasants and it is the floor of the Senate. Borglum tieth birthday without distinction of the necessary as a committee named only to neutral norts. Metals called the necessary as a committee named only to neutral norts. borted the peasants and it is the floor of the Senate. Borglum tieth birthday without distinction of the movement. The committee named only to neutral ports. Metals, salt the peasants have ruined agreed to produce additional information sex, and the acceptance of a committee product will be the committee named only to neutral ports. Metals, salt the peasants have ruined agreed to produce additional information for plure of the pro- petre and other products will be the committee named only to neutral ports. Metals, salt the peasants have ruined agreed to produce additional information for plure of the pro- petre and other products will be the committee named only to neutral ports. crops rather than let the Gertion and the committeemen decided tee resolution providing for plura, cial investigator, sent by the board peasant party, openly advocates that will announce the date of the property and other products will be a few possessions. to await his report.

BRINGS DOWN HIS FIRST HUN PLANE

Saw the Boche at About 5,000 Metres and Sailed Into

BROOKLYN AVIATOR PROUD OF VICTORY

Enemy Smashed the Wing of American's Plane, But the Yankee Got His Man and Returned Safely

With the American Army in France, Thursday, May 2.—Lieutenant James A. Meissner, whose home is in Brook Wounded severely 2 lyn and who brought down his first Lieutenants Mooney and Edens and slight and "tickled to death" that

Publication of casualties was re- the correspondent went to the lieutchine had been torn off by his oppo-

were hurled at the young aviator. The lieutenant blushed and looked around as if at a loss how to begin. Then he briefly told an American GETS SERVICE CROSS story in an American way just as if bringing down a German was an ev-

"Well," he said, "I saw him at of the German. I just sailed in first, is the fourth to go over the top, with stage, county, city and town in their

"Then he straightened out and turning his wing point quickly, rammed my wing, but as that was hapof Germany and we both were soon

I though that might be some sort of camouflage for a getaway, for they Then he began to drop, real flames were streamingfi from him. I knew I had him and that I had fired DEPARTMENT OFFICERS 200 shots, but I also knew my ma-ANXIOUS TO FIGHT chine was damaged. So I turned tion. around and headed for home, but I thought I had better come down safely Washington, May 3.—Every one of inside our line than to risk a flight

charges that the ordnance corps "lad wing of which had been pasted as "A been used to furnish large nun, ers Hoodoo Chaser," a liberty loan posof staff officers with "bomb proof" ter, showing Liberty waving the American flag over the heads of the

OFFICIALS ATTEND MINISTER'S FUNERAL

Washington, May 3.—President supreme court and members of the 1917 foreign relations committee of the For the three menth period ending De Paris.

Services were held at St. Patrick's

Socialist Measure Defeated. voting.

RANGE OF GREAT GUN WHICH IS SHELLING PARIS



The interesting map that is reproduced today shows the country that is traversed by shells from the big starving refugees who are gathered gun, in the forest of St. Gobain. It is shown by the map that the actual distance is 116 kilometers or 71.92 near the frontiers, as requested remiles. It will be observed that the flight is in a southeasterly direction, and the range will require an elevation that will take the projectile 18 or more miles high at the crest of its trajectory,

WEST OF MISSISSIPPI GOES OVER THE TOP

Every Western State Has Subscribed Its Quota-Nation's Total This Morning Was \$2,838,317,300—One More Day Left to Get in Subscriptions

its quota of \$425,000,000.

Indications now are that every state west of the Mississippi has subfrom the Dallas and San Francisco serve district was within approxi-

first to go over the line, said a to \$750,400,000. treasury review.

The Dallas district has now started closes its battle for a heavy over-subscrip-

Ohio has subscribed \$167,937,700 and for the loan.

Washington, May 3.—The liberty exceeded its quota, according to dis- All B. & L. Associations Are

subscriptions of \$453,640,850 to cover part of the south to reach their quotas USE MONEY TO BUILD before Saturday night. New York Needs \$150,000,000

New York, May 3.-With less than scribed its quota, although official re- 48 hours remaining in the liberty loan ports to substantiate this are lacking campaign the New York federal remately \$150,000,000 of its minimum This is a complete reversal from quota of \$900,000,000 at 10 a. m. tothe experience of the former loans, day. An overnight gain of about when the eastern districts were the \$43,400,00 brought the official total up

S. A. L. Employes Take \$650,000. Especially encouraging was the Norfolk, Va., May 3.—Up to today report from Dallas, indicating that employes of the Seaboard Air Line stock will be offered on the first Satthe drought-stricken counties in west have subscribed to more than \$650,000 Texas where little rain has fallen for in liberty bonds and another \$50,000 two years have reached their quotas, is expected before the campaign

FOCH IS IN SUPREME FIRST THREE MONTHS OF RAILWAY CONTROL

"Cases have not been uncommon," American soldiers and bearing the Net Operating Income Was French General's Authority this morning's meeting of the mem. lace expressing himself in strong \$54,108,661 Against \$144,-011.399 Last Year on West Front

operating expenses, \$637.784.608. 302. as against \$57,592,087, the same that's all I can tell you," was the pre- and it is believed that the idea will month last year.

SOUTH PROGRESSING

on a tour of southern yards.

COMMAND IN WEST Extended to Cover Italians

west, says Marcel Hutin, in the Echo proper conduct of the campaign

senate and house of representatives with March interstate commerce M. Hutin saw Premier Clemenceau represented at the morning meeting. Miss Perry stood the examination today attended the state funeral of commission statistics issued today on his return from the meeting of the The idea is to create more interest and today the board of examiners re-Dr. Carlos De Pena, Uruguayan minister to the United States.

Show operating revenues were \$726. Supreme war council at Abbeville. The in the associations in order that more ported to the Supreme Court that ister to the United States.

Oli,329, against \$688,173,857 in 1917; premier without going into details exstock can be sold, placing the association she had passed the examination size. ressed satisfaction

mier's reply.

Want a Monarchy. IN SHIPBUBILDING London, May 3.—Finnish newspar also enable them to a

ENABLING ALL

to Open New Series on June First

ADDITIONAL HOUSES

Meeting Held at Chamber of Commerce This Morning. Name Committee to Arrange Mass Meeting

urday in June by the 13 white and two colored associations operating in the city in an effort to give all an Other railroads with terminals here opportunity to contribute to funds Surry county superior court today, are also making a vigorous campaign that will be employed in erecting Chairman J. J. Wallace, of the ry in order to assure sufficient funds A., and also resign as a member of the county commissioners. Evidence bership of the Wilmington Building & Loan League, held in the rooms of the chamber of commerce at 10 o'clock. Joseph W. Little, chairman. Paris, May 3.—The military author- and J. O. Reilly, Herbert F. Wilder first three months of government registry of General Foch as a result of and John D. Bellamy, Jr., were named James M. Perry, of Greenville, S. C. ulation 114 American railroads show the Italian adhesion has been extend-ed a net operating income of \$54,108, ed to all the western fronts and the Wilson, members of the cabinet, and 661, against \$144,011,399 for the same general now becomes commander-in- vertising with full powers to take the practice of law in South Carolina. the diplomatic corps, justices of the period under private direction in chif of all the allied armies in the any action thought necessary for the An act passed at the last session of

results ations in position to lend the necessary money for the building of houses lation. The idea was heartily ap-"General Foch is very optimistic; proved by the individual associations

BETWEEN HUN AND BOLSHEVIK HEADS

Ambiguous Wording of Brests Litovsk Peace Treaty Starts Trouble

CLAVINUSSION NAMED TO SETTLE DISPUTE

Barbanras Treatment of Inhaba iterate of Occupied Territory Stirs Resentment-Sending Men to Germany

Moseow, Thursday, April 27, via Vladivostok, April 26.—The ambiguwas wording of the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty is causing considerable friction and a constant exchange of

The provision relating to Russian warships, stipulating their transfer to Russian ports or their disarmament. Germany interprets as obliging them not to leave ports and not to cruise in territorial waters. M. Tchitcherin, the foreign minister, objected to this interpretation and suggested that a commission be appointed to settle the disputs. This was accepted by Germany and the commission will meet in Berlin.

At the same time Foreign Minister Tchitcherin demanded a guarantee hat the Black Sea fleet, a report of whose capture by the Germans has not been confirmed, be given immunity in the Crimea.

Germany has refused to admit into the territories occupied by her 300,000 peatedly by the Russian foreign min-

It is reported from Irkutsk that China is claiming territory near Chita. The Siberian Soviet govern-ment has protested to the Chinese government.

Germany's barbarous treatment of the inhabitants of occupied territories and constant requisitioning of food are provoking great resentment and causing armed clashes. In a village in the Kiev district the inhabitants resisted the Germans for three days with machine guns and rifles and were subdued by the use of armored

In the government of Minsk the Germans seized able-bodied persons in the street and in their homes and are sending them to Germany in locked cars. Those trying to escape are shot. The inhabitants, panic stricken, have gone into hiding. Streets in the towns and cities are armed camps with patrols of troops and machine guns everywhere.

MUST AID GOVERNMENT

Ordered to Buy \$1,000 Liberty New series of building and loan Bonds, Contribute to Red Cross and Y. M. C. A.

Winston-Salem, N. C., May 3 .- In houses to take care of the influx of county commissioners, pleaded guilty mechanics and laborers, attracted to a secret assault and the judgment here by shipyard activities, and buy \$1,000 worth of liberty bonds, of the court was that the defendant every person in Wilmington is ex- and deposit same with the clerk of pected to take as many shares of the the court; give \$100 to the Red Cross proposed new series as they can car. and the same amount to the Y. M. C. for increased building activities. De- disclosed that the assault grew out cision to this effect was reached at of an argument over the war, Wallanguage against the government.

SOUTH CAROLINA NOW HAS WOMAN LAWYER

the legislature permitted women to All associations in the city west practice law in this State. Yesterday

THREE MERCHANTMEN

be taken kindly to by the public, as Santiago, Chile. May 31.-The it will permit them to assist in the agreement which has been pending building of the necessary houses and with Germany for the release of three London, May 3.-Finnish newspa- also enable them to make a fair re- of the German merchantmen which have been laid up in Chilean ports Washington. May 3.—Wonderful ment of a monarchy in Finland, ac- A Juass meeting of citizens will be during the war, has been completed.