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GRAND PRINCE'S DRIVE IS STOPPED BEFORE STUBBORN DEFENSE OF ALLIES

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FRENCH LINE FIRM BACK OF CITY OF SOISSONS

The Forts Before Rheims Are Said to Have Fallen, and the Wave of the Advance Now Is Approaching the Valley of the Marne, Where the Teutons May Be Expected to Repeat Their Tactics of 1914—It Is Indicated That Reserve Forces of the Allies May Strike a Blow of Tremendous Proportions Along the Front of the German Wave—The Americans Who Captured Cantigny Have Beaten Off Attack After Attack By the Germans—In the Toul and Luneville Sectors the American Are Holding Their Own in Combats in the Air.

Slowly, but surely, the plunge of the German crown prince's armies is being halted by the French and British armies. While the momentum of the German masses has not as yet spent itself, there has been a notable slackening in the advance during the past day. The chief efforts of the Germans now seem to be devoted to the widening of the gap between the positions of the allies between Pinon and Brimont. This work seems to be progressing slowly against the desperate resistance of the allied forces.

No Material Advance Yesterday. The French, having fallen back from the limits of the city of Soissons, have stood their ground against the attacks of the enemy and the German official statement fails to show material advances during the day's fighting. The French are being fought on a familiar ground which has been made historic by numerous battles, some of which are named among the decisive combats of history.

Like Invasion of 1914. The fighting has taken on the familiar aspect of the first invasion of France in 1914, the advance of Von Mackensen along the Dunajec and the fighting in Picardy in March. After breaking the French and British defensive positions, but not breaking the allied line, the Germans again are moving their forces out in a fan-shaped figure, fighting hardest on the flanks of the extreme front of their advance.

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Three New National Forests in the East Have Been Established by Presidential Proclamation.

Washington, May 30.—President Wilson, by proclamation announced today, has established three new national forests in the east—the White Mountains, about 251,000 acres in Maine and New Hampshire; the Shenandoah, about 185,000 acres in Virginia and West Virginia; and the natural bridge, about 95,000 acres in Virginia. Title to all the lands has not been taken because the areas have not been approved for the purpose.

President Wilson Helps Drive Rivet in Federal Service

IN THE KEEL OF A 9,400 TON FREIGHTER AT ALEXANDRIA YARD WARNS UNION LEADERS

Declares the Government Cannot Be Coerced or Intimidated—Assures the Men of a Just Consideration of Their Claims.

Washington, May 30.—Railroad employees were reminded by Director General McAdoo today that they are employees of the United States in time of war and that a strike means a blow at their own government and the hampering of transportation essential to protect the hundreds of thousands of American boys fighting on the battlefields of Europe.

A Great Crowd Present. A great crowd saw the beginning of the first ship to be built in Alexandria today, when four-masted masts were hoisted on the Potomac and Chesapeake Bay. Charles W. Morse, of New York, representing the controlling interest in the Virginia Shipbuilding company, builders of the Gunston Hall, welcomed the president and his party.

President Greeted With Cheers. A shrieking siren in the shipyard shops announced that the president had arrived and when he mounted the wooden ladder to the top of the control tower he was greeted with a roar of cheers.

War Adds Solemnity to Memorial Day. People Paid Homage to Defenders Who Have Fallen and Prayed for the Success of Those Who Are Fighting.

Washington, May 30.—The American people today paid homage to the memory of the nation's defenders who died at sea in the charge of the success of those who are fighting overseas.

Warning to Look Out for German Submarines Received by Brazilian Steamship When Off the Florida Coast.

An Atlantic Port, May 30.—Recent reports that German submarines have been lurking in southern waters off the Atlantic coast have been supported today with the arrival here of a Brazilian steamship. The passengers said that on Saturday last when the ship was off the coast of Florida a warning to look out for submarines was received and that the captain immediately ordered the vessel to take a wide detour before heading again for Rio de Janeiro.

Features of Memorial Day at State Prison. Prisoners Permitted to Make All the Noise They Wished at Flag Raising.

Hartford, Conn., May 30.—An unusual feature of Memorial day was flag raising, with speechmaking, baseball game, band concert and other amusements. The flag was raised at 11 o'clock in the forenoon in the presence of the prisoners. The presidential party was escorted through the grounds to the speakers' stand by a troop of cavalry and a company of engineers.

Paris Participated in Memorial Day Exercises. General Tasker Bliss Represented the Army—Captain Jackson the Navy.

Paris, May 30.—Memorial day exercises held in the American church today were participated in by the American, Greek, Armenian and American Protestant Episcopal dignitaries in the presence of William Graves, the American ambassador; the Earl of Derby, the British ambassador; Stephen Pichon, foreign minister, and high governmental and diplomatic officials.

Roosevelt Calls for a 'Knockout' in War. Tells Detroiters America Does Not Want to Win on Points.

Detroit, Mich., May 30.—"America does not want to win this war on points at a knockout," said President Roosevelt today in a broadcast address here today in behalf of the navy. The president's address was summarized by his conception of this country's war aims.

Daniels Duels on Noble Work of Navy in Opening the Road to France For Hundreds of Thousands of American Soldiers

SURE OF ABILITY TO WIPE OUT SUBMARINE EVIL

Until It Will Not Be Possible For a Submarine to Exist in the Ocean—Asserts That Troop Movement Will Reach the Million Mark in a Few Weeks, and That in a Few Months the Two Million Mark Will Have Been Reached—Statements Made in an Impromptu Address at Wilkesbarre.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 30.—Declaring that the navy is doing noble work in opening the road to France for the hundreds of thousands of American soldiers already there, Secretary of the Navy Daniel S. Rodgers today declared that troop movement will reach the million mark in a few weeks; that in a few months the two million mark will have been reached; and that ten million or more men will be sent if need be to win the war. Secretary Daniels' visit to the city was unexpected, as he stopped here for breakfast while en route to Scranton. He was informed that the honor of sailors who fell in the Civil War and was quick to respond to the invitation to deliver an address.

Secretary Daniels' Guest of Honor at Scranton. Expressed Optimism as to Outcome of Conflict Raging in Europe.

Scranton, Pa., May 30.—Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, was the special guest of honor at the memorial day exercises held in this city this afternoon, a crowd of more than 15,000 persons attending the exercises. The street railway strike, which was practically paralyzed the city for the past month, kept down the attendance, many in the audience being obliged to walk miles to attend.

Says War Will Be Won on the Ocean. During the course of an interview, Secretary Daniels said: "The real war will be won on the ocean and the allied navies have succeeded in great part in doing away with the submarine menace. Secretary Daniels said that in a few short months a German submarine would not dare to show its nose above the water."

Hurley Disapproves of Riveting Contests. Claims That They Cause Men to Overwork Themselves.

Philadelphia, May 30.—Riveting contests carried to the point of speeding up one man's work at the expense of the general efficiency of the plant are not favored by Chairman E. N. Hurley of the federal shipping board.

Joint Chairman Taft and Walsh of the War Labor Board will go to Scranton, Pa., next Sunday to investigate a strike of street railway employees there which is said to be interfering with anthracite production.

Four hundred acres of farm land in the towns of Bolton, Lancaster and Still River, on the outskirts of Camp Devens, have been taken over by army authorities and plans are being made to raise sufficient vegetables to supply the entire cantonment during the summer months.

Committees to Recruit 5,000 Trained Nurses Are Being Organized by the Atlantic Division of the Red Cross.

New York, May 30.—Special committees to recruit 5,000 trained nurses, sorely needed by the army, are being organized in all cities within the jurisdiction of the Atlantic division of the Red Cross. The campaign opens Monday and will be continued ten days.

More Coal or Fuel Oil for Private Yachts Except Sufficient Quantity to Return to Home Port.

Washington, May 30.—After tomorrow, by order of the fuel administration, no coal or fuel oil will be burned or furnished to any private yacht for any purpose whatever except cooking. The only exceptions are ships in the government service.

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AN AMERICAN AVIATOR CAPTURED BY THE GERMANS

After His Machine Had Fallen Into No Man's Land.

With the American Army in France, May 29.—By The Associated Press, An American aviator was captured by the Germans tonight after his machine had fallen into No Man's Land. The pilot, an American aviator, was captured by the Germans and taken to a camp. He was released after a few days.

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THIRD MISHAP TO MISS STINSON'S CURTISS PLANE

At Binghamton When She Attempted to Start for Sheepshead Bay.

Binghamton, N. Y., May 30.—Katherine Stinson's Curtiss plane turned turtle for the third time within a week this afternoon when she attempted to make a start for Sheepshead Bay, where she had a contract for a Memorial Day exhibition. The machine was damaged but she escaped injury.

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BRITAIN NOT PRESSING AFFAIRS IN IRELAND

Refraining from Action That Will Create a Disturbance.

London, May 30.—"With the recent changes in the government in Ireland and the arrest of Sinn Fein leaders, the parliamentary correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says he understands the British government considers it is not wise to press forward at this time anything calculated to produce a disturbance. A more settled feeling prevails in Ireland and it is hoped the improvement will grow in every direction."

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