

TRAIL KILLS JOHN S. WILLIAMS, WIFE, 2 DAUGHTERS

LONG BREATHED OFFENSIVE BY GERMANS AGAINST ITALIAN ARMY MAY START IN FEW DAYS

Over the battle lines along the Piave river and in the mountainous region in northern Italy, where the allied forces have been holding their positions since last November after the great Italian retreat from the Isonzo, there is increased tension and the long-breathed blow at this front may be launched by the Teutonic allies within a few days.

RAIN COMES IN TIME TO SAVE RANGE BATTLE

EL PASO, May 5.—Thousands of cattle were saved by a rain which fell in the Panhandle Southwestern Stockmen's association headquarters stated. At Roswell light showers were followed by a heavy rain last night which continued until the range was thoroughly soaked.

NEW YORK HOTELS ENTER BIG MERGER

NEW YORK, May 5.—Mergers of the Belmont, Murray Hill, Biltmore, Manhattan and Commodore hotels, adjacent to the Grand Central terminal and able to accommodate 2,000,000 guests a year, was announced here today by E. L. M. Bates, proprietor of the Belmont and Murray Hill, and John M. Bowman, president of the companies now operating the Biltmore and Manhattan and constructing the Commodore.

102 KILLED IN FLYING CAMPS

WASHINGTON, May 5.—One hundred and two deaths in flying accidents occurred at 18 aviation camps in the United States and at Camp Borden, Canada, where American flyers are training, up to last April, in the war department announced today. Several fatal accidents have occurred since that time, and since the fields were opened a number of aviators and students have been injured.

HOSTILE ARTILLERY FIRE IS INCREASED

ROME, May 5.—An increase in the intensity of the hostile artillery fire along the front, notably in the Lagarina and Astico valleys and in the Possa Alta sector, is reported by the war office today. The Italian artillery also has carried out numerous bombardments and there has been additional intensive activity by the Caronza and British airplanes, during which eight enemy machines were destroyed and many tons of bombs dropped on the hydro electric works at Cavadin, north of Udine. While this operation was in progress, other machines renewed the bombing of the aviation ground at Campo Maggiore, south of Udine.

THREE SERVICE MEN DROWNED ON COAST

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 5.—Three men were drowned today on the surf at Ocean Beach, 12 miles from San Diego and three others are missing. All were soldiers or sailors. Two of the bodies were recovered. They were Harvey Burr, member of the machine gun squad of Company B, 144th Infantry and Charles Humphries of the bakery company of the 150th sanitary train, both of Camp Kearny.

ATTACK FISHING CRAFT

LONDON, May 5.—German airplanes have recently been attacking Dutch fishing vessels with machine guns wherever the little boats have been found in the North sea. Five Dutch fishermen landed yesterday at a British port after a harrowing experience.

LIBERTY LOAN BOUGHT BY 17 MILLION FOLKS

Four Billion Dollars Will Probably Be Total; One In Every Six Persons In U. S. Subscribed to Third Call (Republican A. P. Leased Wire) WASHINGTON, May 5.—An analysis of Liberty loan reports today showed that probably 17,000,000 persons bought bonds in the campaign which closed last midnight—7,000,000 more than in the second loan, and 12,500,000 more than in the first. Latest tabulations showed \$3,316,628,250 reported subscriptions, but the treasury now believes the actual total which may run to \$4,000,000,000 will not be definitely known until May 13.

CASUALTY LIST 119; KILLED IN ACTION BUT TEN

WASHINGTON, May 5.—The casualty list today contained 119 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, 10; died of wounds, 3; died of accident, 2; died of other causes, 2; missing in action, 10; wounded severely, 26; wounded slightly, 67. Officers were named, including Colonel Richard H. Griffith, of the National army, who was killed by a shell as he emerged from a dugout on the front in Pleadry several days ago. Major Hiram E. Ross, Danville, Ill., was wounded severely, and Lieutenant Frederick C. Abbott, St. Louis, Mo.; Frederick L. Gregory, Caribou, Maine; James C. McCoy, Pierre, S. D., and John E. Smith, Fond Du Lac, Wis., were wounded slightly.

AMERICAN FRENCH

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 5.—(By the Associated Press)—One of the American patrols in the Luneville sector entered the German trenches early this morning and penetrated the German lines to a distance of three hundred yards. On the way back the patrol discovered an enemy observation post, which was a corporal and 2 men. The Americans promptly attacked, killing three of the enemy and taking the other four prisoners, one of them in a wounded condition.

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ROB ATTACKS JEWS; 7 RIOTERS KILLED

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CONCRETE SHIP TESTED

SAN FRANCISCO, May 5.—The 1,300 ton steamer, Faith, the latest concrete ship in the world, built by the San Francisco Shipbuilding company, was given a successful trial trip here today, averaging more than eleven knots an hour in its four trips over the official trial course.

"MOST BEAUTIFUL BOY" KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

DENVER, May 5.—Alfred Glen Hall, six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hall, 1219 South Kalamith street, and who has been called the "most beautiful boy in Colorado," having taken first prize at a better babies show held in Denver, was run over by an automobile driven by Charles Vroman, a Mexican country business man on the Denver-Colorado Springs road near Sedalia this evening and suffered injuries from which he died soon after in a Littleton hospital.

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CITY IS SAFE

LONDON, May 5.—The general commanding the Petrograd garrison has issued a statement declaring the city now free from any direct menace and that the populace has no cause for alarm, says a Reuter dispatch from Moscow.

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

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PASSENGER CRASHES INTO CAR AT CASA GRANDE; OCCUPANTS ALL DEAD EXCEPT SON

While the motor car in which they were riding was apparently stalled on a railroad crossing, John S. Williams, known throughout Arizona as "Jack" Williams, and his wife and two daughters were instantly killed last evening near Casa Grande when a Southern Pacific passenger train crashed squarely into the side of the car. A son, Paul, aged 12, received injuries from which he may die.

ARMY INCREASE PROGRAM NEXT CONGRESS TASK

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Congress begins this week with interest centered upon the army increase program, which furnishes probably the last really big task to be disposed of before adjournment, planned for about July 1. A re-draft of the record-breaking army appropriation bill, carrying \$15,000,000,000 to provide for an army of 5,000,000 men during the coming year, is to be laid before the house military committee tomorrow. Some opposition is expected in both senate and house to the administration to limit the nation's armed forces only to capacity for equipping, training and transporting them, but leaders of both parties now believe the blanket power will be granted.

SON AWAITED ARRIVAL

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TRACK IS DOWN GRADE

Although it is the general opinion that the engine of the motor car in which the Williams family was riding must have been stalled on the crossing, yet there were no witnesses to state accurately as to the cause. The track of the Southern Pacific as it approaches Casa Grande from the east is down grade and trains coast into the station, making little noise, and other opinions are that Mr. Williams, who was driving, did not see the approaching train in time.

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