

## ALLIES IN ITALY BEGIN NEW DRIVE

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN ARMIES IN  
RAPID RETREAT BEFORE  
FURY OF ASSAULT.

## AMERICAN RESERVE IS READY

Field Marshal Haig Still Retains the  
Upper Hand and Takes More  
Prisoners.

In the Italian theater over a front of nearly 40 miles, from the Breta to the middle reaches of the Piave river, the British, French and Italian offensive against the Austro-Hungarians and are swiftly driving them from the mountain passes toward the Austrian frontier and across the plains east of the Piave in northern Italy. American reserves are behind the lines prepared to aid the allies when the opportune moment arrives.

On all of the other battle fronts the allied arms continue to be served. In Belgium, there has been little fighting, except by the artillery wings of the opposing armies, while in the region around Valenciennes the engagements between the British and the Germans have savored more of outpost encounters than pitched battles. In whatever fighting there has been, however, Field Marshal Haig's men have retained the upper hand and taken more prisoners and additional guns and war stores.

## DUAL GOVERNMENT REQUESTS AN IMMEDIATE ARMISTICE

Vienna (via Basel, Switzerland).—Austria-Hungary, through her new foreign minister, Count Andrássy, has sent a note to Secretary of State Lansing requesting the secretary's intervention with President Wilson for an immediate armistice on all fronts and for the commencement of peace negotiations.

The sounds somewhat different to the recent utterances of Emperor Charles of Austria.

## VERSAILLES CONFERENCE HAS AGREED UPON MAIN POINTS

London.—The Versailles conference, according to the report current in London, has agreed on the main points of the armistice terms, which will now be considered by the military commanders.

The final peace terms, it is said, will be submitted to Germany simultaneously with the armistice terms. As part of the terms of an armistice The Evening News says it understands the allied nations will insist upon the surrender of the German fleet, including all the German submarines, and upon the occupation by allied forces of all the fortified towns on the Rhine. For the time being there has been a cessation of U-boat attacks on passenger steamers. Andrew Bonar Law announced in the house of commons. But, he added, there have been attacks on other steamers during the past week.

## TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES LIMIT AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION.

Washington.—Production of American aircraft now has reached a stage where it is being limited practically only by facilities for transporting the planes to France. The production of Liberty motors during October reached 1,000 a week, a goal which had not been hoped for, before December.

The latest official compilations show that since June, approximately 2,500 fighting airplanes of all descriptions have been shipped to the American forces in France. When it is realized that none of the belligerents at any one time has had more than 3,000 airplanes actually in service, the significance of an American production of 2,500 planes in five months becomes apparent. These 2,500 planes included nearly 150 heavy bombers and the remainder were planes of all classes including observation machines and day bombers.

## LIQUIDATING MINISTRY TO BE FORMED TO BRING ON PEACE.

Copenhagen.—A dispatch from Vienna says the emperor accepted the resignation of Baron Huseck as premier and appointed Prof. Heinrich Lammasch as his successor.

Professor Lammasch will form a liquidation ministry composed of impartial officers in order exclusively to bring about a speedy peace and the transfer of affairs from the central to the national governments during the transition period.

## DEPARTURE FROM THE RHINE DEVELOPS INTO RAPID PANIC

London.—Civilian departures from the lower Rhineland and part of Westphalia, which were begun on a small scale when the first allied bombs hit Cologne, have developed into a panic flight. All of the banks are being stormed by depositors who are withdrawing their savings in German bank notes of as high a value as are obtainable, the 100 mark note having an appreciable market value over lower currency.

## COTTON SEED PRICE STABILIZED IN S. C.

Food Administration Fixes Price at  
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Per Ton for Wagen Seed—Basis of  
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All Concerned.  
Columbia.—The price of cotton seed has been stabilized by the Food Administration at \$72 per ton for car seed, and \$69 per ton for wagon seed. The basis of the above prices is as follows: Oil at 17½ cents per pound, meal at \$53 per ton in any quantity; hulls at \$20 per ton; lint at \$0.0467 per pound.

The Food Administration is doing all in its power to increase the price of lint, and if the price of lint can be increased, the difference will be shown in the price of meal.

The strict observance of these prices by all concerned will result in a square deal to all interests, says the Food Administration.

## EFFICIENT GINNING AND CLEAN SEED WILL BE INSISTED UPON

Columbia.—The Food Administration expects the prices fixed for ginning in South Carolina to be followed strictly. Ginning prices were fixed recently, as follows: For ginning, a bale of 500 pounds of lint cotton or less, \$8.50 per bale. For each additional 10 pounds of lint cotton, at the rate of 70 cents per 100 pounds. When bagging and ties are furnished by ginner, \$1.50 additional. The farmer shall have the privilege of furnishing his own bagging and ties.

Ginners may not charge on weights including bagging and ties, but the prices announced are for net lint cotton. Bagging and ties weigh 25 pounds. Therefore, ginners must not charge in excess of \$8.50 a bale, unless the weight of the bale including bagging and ties, is more than 525 pounds.

Efficient ginning will be insisted upon and clean seed must be delivered. Violations of these rules should be reported to the County Food Administrator or to the Food Administration at Columbia, and investigation will be made.

For ginning upland long staple cotton, such as is grown in Darlington and Florence counties, an additional charge of \$1.00 per bale is permitted.

### DON'T GRUMBLE.

Columbia.—"Some dissatisfaction has been caused by the late orders concerning the consumption of sugar," says a western paper in a timely editorial, "but the discontented must remember that the Food Administration is not to blame. They should direct their criticism at the German junkers and not at the administration. The shortage of sugar has been caused largely by U-boats. There is plenty of sugar in the world, but the lack of shipping and the sinking of sugar cargoes have caused all the trouble. The sacrifice the people are called upon to make is comparatively small. In a few months the likelihood is that the need of it will pass."

"Meanwhile," the writer continues, "let the grumblers think of the boys who are giving all for their country, who are enduring cheerfully the sum of all hardships and danger, and then look at himself in the mirror when he complains of being deprived of the second spoonful of sugar for his coffee. One look should be enough."

### DON'T BE A U-BOAT.

Use one level teaspoonful of sugar in your coffee. Don't be a U-boat. U-boats sink sugar. Sugar sunk in the bottom of a coffee cup is wasted the same as sugar sunk by a submarine. Put in one level teaspoonful, and stir for all you're worth.

## NEW FLOUR REGULATIONS ARE NOW IN EFFECT

Columbia.—Everybody is asking about the new flour regulations. These went into effect on September 1st. The famous "fifty-fifty" regulation has changed its proportions. Only one pound of substitutes is now required to each four pounds of wheat flour. The number of substitutes have been materially reduced. Only corn flour and corn meal and barley flour are left in the front line. Victory Bread also retreats to the 20 per cent of substitutes basis.

It is emphasized, however, that wheat conservation as a war duty is not cancelled. It is necessary to build up wheat reserves against possible disaster. The obligation is upon every one to mix wheat flour with 20 per cent of substitutes.

### One Delivery a Day.

Columbia.—On account of the scarcity of labor, merchants throughout the State are requested by the Food Administration to adjust their business so that they will be able to confine their deliveries of purchases to one delivery a day to their consumers. This applies to small towns as well as to cities.

## Somebody's Dollars Will Do It— I Wonder if They'll Be Yours

By Bruce Barton

I WILL tell you what will happen some night this winter in France. Some night when it's cold and dark. There will be a rustling through the front line trench, where our boys stand guard. And a heavy laden Secretary will make his way along.

In his hands will be great steaming pots; in his pocket chocolate and cigarettes.

From one man to another he will go, passing a cup full of hot coffee to hands that tremble with the cold; bringing the comfort of a bit of sweet and a smoke.

Men will hail him cheerily, slapping him on the back, and when he has gone things will be a little easier in that trench because he has passed that way.

How much will it cost to make that trip, do you suppose? Counting the pittance that the Secretary is paid, and the cost of the chocolate and the cigarettes and all?

Five dollars? Twenty-five dollars? I do not know.

But whether it is five dollars or twenty-five, I'd like to think that it is my five or twenty-five—wouldn't you? That some night when it's cold and lonesome, my money and yours might send a Secretary out along that front line trench. Let's make up our minds that we are going to pay for a score of those trips. A score of the nights this winter shall be our nights.

—nights when the boys greet joyously the chocolate and cigarettes that our money provided; and are happier because our representative has passed.

United War Work  
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For the Boys in  
the Service

## MERCY MUNITIONS NEEDED IN TRENCHES

Lieut. Coningsby Dawson, Fighting  
Author, Makes Stirring  
Appeal for Y. W. C. A.

Lieut. Coningsby Dawson, who wrote "Carry On," says of the war work which the Y. W. C. A. is doing: "You at home cannot fight with your lives, but you can fight with your mercy. The Y. W. C. A. is offering you just this chance. It garrisons the women's support trenches, which lie behind the men's. It asks you to supply them with munitions of mercy that they may be passed on to us. We need such supplies badly. Give generously that we may the sooner defeat the Hun."

What Lieut. Dawson says of the Y. W. C. A. he might have said of all the national organizations which are coming together for the biggest financial campaign that organizations have ever headed. All the \$170,500,000 to be raised by the seven great national organizations the week of November 11 will be used to garrison and supply the support trenches behind the lines. They are the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the National Catholic War Council, Jewish Welfare Board, American Library Association, War Camps Community Service and Salvation Army.

American girls in various uniforms mingle strangely with picturesque Brittany costumes in France. The American Y. W. C. A. has a hostess house in Brittany where the Signal Corps women live and a hut where the nurses spend their free time. Both these centers are fitted with many of the comforts and conveniences of home.

"At a tea given at the nurses' hut one Saturday afternoon," writes Miss Mabel Warner, of Salina, Kansas, Y. W. C. A. worker there, "there was an odd gathering—one admiral, a bishop, a Presbyterian minister, a Roman Catholic priest, a doctor, an ensign, one civilian and myself."

## First Victory Boy's Work.

"Say, I'm wise to you, all right," a Western Union messenger boy whispered to one of the directors of the United War Work Campaign in the New York headquarters. The director's desk had only just been moved in and the work of the big drive had hardly begun.

"I'm onto your stunt," the boy went on as he swung a grimy fist over the desk; "you're goin' to give us fellows that ain't old enough to go to war a chance to earn an' give to back up a fighter an' help win the war. Listen; I'm in on this."

The crumpled \$5 bill he dropped on the desk made him the first of "a million boys behind a million fighters" who are to be lined up as Victory Boys during the week of the drive.

There will be a division of Victory Girls, too, and every boy and every girl enrolled will have to earn every dollar he or she gives to the war work fund.

## SERVICE THAT WINS THE SOLDIER HEART

Fred Lockley, Y. M. C. A., Tells of  
the Gratitude of the Boys  
at the Front.

"One of the discoveries men are making over here," Fred Lockley, of the Y. M. C. A. and of Portland, Oregon, writes from London, "is that more pleasure can be had out of giving than getting. Many a man who has spent money freely in the old days to buy pleasure is finding that he gets more pleasure over here by the spending of one's self in the service of others. "A few months ago I went out with a fellow Y. M. C. A. secretary to hunt up out-of-the-way detachments of troops. A stable guard here, a machine gun company there, a platoon somewhere else. We carried our goods in an automobile. We had plenty of writing paper and envelopes for free distribution, and chocolate, cookies, chewing tobacco and smoking tobacco, cigarettes, razor blades, tooth paste and things of that kind for sale. American war service workers were busy everywhere. We found Salvation Army lassies making doughnuts for the boys and K. of C. secretaries giving help. Books furnished by the American Library Association were to be seen on all sides.

"Hearing firing at a distance, we drove down the road and found a score or so of men at machine gun practice. The officer gave the men half an hour recess to buy goods.

"At another place we came in sight of a lieutenant drilling a platoon. I said to the lieutenant: 'How soon before you dismiss the company? We have Y. M. C. A. goods for sale.'

"He said: 'Right now. Sergeant, dismiss the company!'

"And ten seconds later the company was in line waiting to buy goods from our traveling 'Y.' Grateful is no name for it. The men can't do enough to show their gratitude."

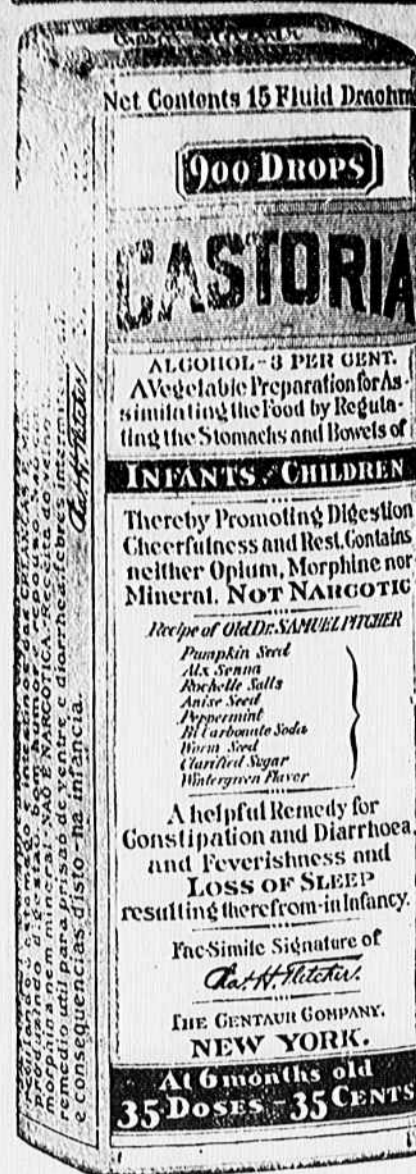
## Why You Should Give Twice What You Did Before

The government has fixed the sum needed for the care of the men in the service at \$170,500,000.

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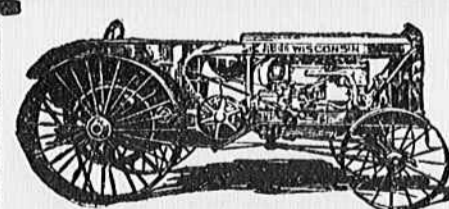
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