# Happenings of the World Tersely Told

### U.S.—Teutonic War News

A detachment of American bluejackets now assisting in the defense of Archangel, Russia, succeeded in the virtually of the surrender, which resulted in the capture of the town. The American sailors easily outstripped those from a Bolshevist detachment when both ran for the town.

Secretary of War Newton D. Baker has ordered added safety devices on all army motor trucks. The order was issued after the second fatal accident involving army trucks in the District of Columbia. Both accidents occurred in Rock Creek park, one of the most frequented parts of the city.

Col. G. C. Squires, eighty-three years old, a noticeable Washington banker and land owner, died suddenly at his Thousand Island home at Alexandria Bay, N. Y.

The country's output of Liberty motor trucks—the Selden-type—is the best, broke all previous records the week ending August 31, according to a statement issued by General March, chief of staff.

Between 30,000 and 40,000 laborers were recruited for war work at seventy-seven camps in the forest reserve service of the department of agriculture.

Two men were killed in a collision of two airplanes at Mather field, Sacramento, Cal. William Mather Boyd, 19, of Berkeley, Cal., a cadet of Berkeley, was killed instantly.

Columbia university has been taken over by the federal government for the duration of the war, it was announced. It will take place October 1.

### European War News

Thirty-five persons, principally members of the household of the U. S. Consul S. Monnt Vernon, formerly the German Imperial consulate at Lwelle, were killed when the ship was struck by a torpedo Thursday last. The sinking of the steamer, it was announced by the navy department, Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois is among those reported safely saved.

Next spring, says an official dispatch to Washington from France, the American army alone will be equal to the German army, and the latter will then have to face not only the gigantic force of well-trained men, but the vast armies of French and British armies.

American and French airplanes and Hunsuvers barely able to walk, carried the more seriously injured passengers at a Franco-American hospital in France to safety when the hospital was bombed by German airplanes.

The navy department was informed that the American steamship Mount Owusa had been sunk by a submarine. Twenty members of the crew are also reported lost. The steamer at one time cargo carrier of 2,500 tons was sunk down by gunfire in foreign waters.

### Domestic

The Republicans made a clean sweep in Maine in the biennial election, carrying the state for governor, the United States senator, three members of congress and electing the legislature and every county with the exception of three. The legislature in Republican in both branches. Gov. Carl E. Milliken is re-elected by a majority of by 30,000. United States Senator Bert M. Fernald was elected.

Heavy decline in the condition of the corn crop during August caused a reduction of 317,000,000 bushels in the department of agriculture forecast of production, the estimate being 2,652,000,000 bushels. Spring wheat production, however, was increased 7,000,000 with an increase of 17,000,000 bushels.

First Administration of the year is assured that its exports soon to fix a price for gasoline, to be paid by consumers as well as the government and the allies, at a figure lower than the present market price.

Eugene V. Debs, four time candidate for president on the socialist ticket, who was put on trial in federal court here before Judge D. C. Westenhaver in the United States district court, was found guilty with violation of the espionage act.

"Big Bill" Haywood leader of the I. W. W. sedition trial, who has been in the San Francisco county jail for the past two months, left Chicago on a special train for Kansas City, where he will serve the sentence imposed upon him by Judge Landis.

Fourteen anti-vivisectionists have been arrested by the government. Fully $300,000, required to age fifty-five years, is to be put through a campaign which the government declares to be a disgrace to civilization and will soon be stamped out.

Gov. A. O. Stanley of Kentucky announced his decision to appeal from the Breen Martin, an attorney of Carbondale, to the governor, who was convicted of the late United States senator, Col. W. J. Deboe, March 4 2907. The governor's decision is the last resource for the trial court.

Any Democrat of Rockford, Ill., and Alton Wilson, both I. W. W. leaders, were sentenced to 25 years at Leavenworth penitentiary by a court-martial at Camp Grant. They refused to don uniforms.

### Foreign

Hon. Shih Chang, former presiding member of the peace conference and president of the Chinese republic by force, has surrendered as a dispatch received in Amsterdam from Peking announced.

King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, according to an official announcement issued by the government, will soon be relieved of his duties.

According to an official announcement issued by the government of Switzerland, Ernest Martin, an attorney of Val Anniviers, up to the present 332 persons of nationalities have been killed as a reprisal for the killing of Swiss citizens by submarines of the entente.

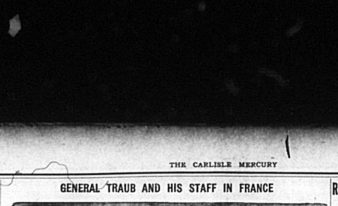
American consuls, members of allied missions and civilian refugees who recently left Russia on a special train have reached safety in Finland. This word came from Consul Haynes at Helsingfors.

### Settlements in 1926.

There is an English proverb which enumerates as a cure "a hair of the dog that bit you." And it is an interesting proof, though hardly a coincidence, if national inventive characteristics be taken into account, that the cure for deadly mos-killing machines, which the world owes to the genius of one American, the late Sir Hiram Maxim, should have found its antidote—the "dazi"—in a doctor directly inspired by the invention of a compatriot, Mr. Benjamin Hatt.

Places are under way for holding, in Philadelphia in 1926, an international exposition to be designated as the sesquicentennial exposition. It is said Latin word meaning one-half more or one hundred and fifty. The exposition will consist mainly of buildings, which the world owes to the genius of one American, the late Sir Hiram Maxim. It should have found its antidote—the "dazi"—in a doctor directly inspired by the invention of a compatriot, Mr. Benjamin Hatt.

## GENERAL TRAUB AND HIS STAFF IN FRANCE



Brig. Gen. Peter E. Traub and staff, U. S. infantry, in France. A French Italian officer is seated at the right.

# CAPTAIN TELLS HOW HE HALTED ITALIAN FLIGHT

New York.—Each of the ranger of a fatal dispatch announcing the award by the Italian government of the silver medal for valor, virtually the highest military decoration that can be given to an Italian soldier, was one of the most thrilling and romantic episodes of the entire war, in which, in fact, it may be said to have had a distinct and definite bearing upon the outcome of the Italian arms.

The cable message announcing the award, and which was published in the Herald, read as follows:

"Awarded by King Victor Emanuel, received his captaincy Francesco Marie Baracca of Perugia, who is on the staff of the commander of division. Energetic organizer of the high command of the division, First Lieutenant Guardabassi gave an admirable proof of determination, energy and valor when, with a squadron of cavalry during the drive from the Carso to the Piave, firmly checking a sudden and threatening' panic aroused among the troops, Carso-Tagliamento, Bridge of the Livenza, Oct. 28-Nov. 2, 1917." Captain (then first Lieutenant) Guardabassi, who at the time was in command of the Cavalry Squadron of the Piave from becoming a disorderly mass, maneuvered it into an orderly retirement, which enabled the Italian forces to reform and to make their position on the Piave impregnable. It was Captain Guardabassi who, standing virtually alone on the bridge of the Livenza, prevented the passage of the Third army to hold their ground when, overwhelmed with fear and panic.

**Is Here on Special Mission.**

Captain Guardabassi, who at the time was aid-de-camp of General Pennella, divisional commander of the Third army of Italy, in the last few days has been a visitor to this country in New York. Following his release from events on the Tagliamento he was called to Rome, and, because of his wide knowledge of America and American, was sent to the United States on a special mission from the Italian government.

Captain Guardabassi, however, was persuaded to tell the story of how he won the silver medal for valor in his own words:

"You can imagine the spirit of our army last October," he said. "Even our generals of the Third army acknowledged that we were to blame. We had worked so hard to establish the Carso line, and then suddenly it was there no good. Now the orders came to fall back to the line of the Piave. There could be no thought in the mind of the men than in the Third army but a wave of retreat. Everywhere I went through the ranks. Were we to be shamed?

"The Piave Tho was stronger—it was the last hope. The Austrians were hold off the Italian plains. Reinforcements from the north and present there were coming. Our own army of 800,000 men was not a retreat. And it became more and more evident that we were going to reverse, to hold them together.

"Then, on the night of October 28, there rushed upon us the report that 400,000 to 500,000 but that was by the time when the report arrived. There were complications in the retreat, for down from the north there began to come detachments from the Italian army which had been sent to the battle front.

**Ran Makes Retreat Difficult.**

"It shall never forget the night we retired during those days. The Carso Tagliamento line had been broken in places. Where we were was not far from the sea. In the center of it had to keep from the roads. This made our falling back all the harder.

"I could never have done what I had to do had it not been for the help of my General Pennella and the fact that I was his aid-de-camp. Remember that I had to keep my squadron of cavalry soldiers pouring along the roads everywhere, disheartened as they were, a country people by thousands were retreating. They were a wave of fear