

### BALFOUR SPEAKS BEFORE THE SENATE

British Party Given Reception on Floor and Entertained at Lunch by Mr. Marshall.

### NEW EPOCH IN HISTORY

Washington, May 8.—Foreign Minister Balfour, Lieutenant General Bridges and Admiral de Chair of the British mission were received today in the senate with a demonstration which rivaled the enthusiasm and acclaim of their reception recently in the house.

After the reception on the senate floor the party was entertained at luncheon by Vice President Marshall. Introducing Mr. Balfour, Vice President Marshall expressed the hope that when the war was ended the free people of the earth would sit down at the council table and not arise again until they have written on the firmament the legend, "I shine only for the wise and they are not wise who are not just."

### "Will Save Civilization."

Mr. Balfour declared that Germany blundered when it counted that England and America were afraid to enter the war and estimated the effect as negligible if they did.

"That will be the wrecking of all their hopes," he said. "That is the blunder that will save civilization. I speak with confidence about the issue," said Mr. Balfour. "A confidence redoubled since you have thrown in your lot."

Senators La Follette and Gronna, who voted against the war resolution and who had refrained from applause before that statement, applauded it and smiled.

"I see a suggestion," continued the British secretary, "that Germany, incapable of winning with arms, is going to win by illegitimate submarine warfare. I believe it not. I do not minimize the gravity of the submarine menace; I do not wish to minimize it, but after all, in two and one-half years of war, more than one defect of like magnitude has been met and overcome."

### New Epoch in History.

Mr. Balfour declared the missions of the French and British marked a new epoch in the history of the free countries of the world and in the "alliance thus cemented."

"In it," he continued, "lies some of the greatest hopes, some of the proudest expectations we dare entertain for civilization."

"The war isn't going to be settled by the sinking of helpless neutrals or of sending women and children to the bottom of the ocean, but by

hard fighting," he said, adding that it would require the combined efforts of every man and woman on both sides of the Atlantic.

### French at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 8.—The French war commission arrived in Indianapolis at 12:13 o'clock this afternoon. A committee composed of state and city officials immediately escorted the party along business streets, which were lined with cheering throngs. The commission remained here about one hour.

### RATE QUESTION CHIEF TOPIC AT A. O. U. W. SESSION

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claims, were accumulated at 4 per cent interest, annually compounded, these rates will precisely suffice to enable the grand lodge to pay all death claims as they fall due.

"There is no doubt that 4 per cent interest can be earned upon funds not immediately required. Indeed, some margin can be realized from interest over 4 per cent to offset any unfavorable contingencies.

"Applying the death rates according to the National Fraternal congress table to the average amount of insurance in force each year at the respective ages, it is found that the number of deaths in each year from 1906 to 1916 that would have been experienced had the mortality at each age been precisely as per the National Fraternal congress table, is as follows:

Year.	Expected Deaths.	Actual Deaths.	Pct. of Actual to Expected.
1907	279	285	.78
1908	409	316	.77
1909	423	279	.74
1910	446	359	.78
1911	472	468	.84
1912	497	389	.77
1913	522	402	.74
1914	528	426	.74
1915	578	457	.74
1916	580	491	.85
4877	3819		.78

### Mortality Not Increased.

"This shows that, not merely for the whole period, taken together, but for every year of it, taken separately, the mortality has been more favorable than as per the National Fraternal congress table. The mortality, likewise has not been heavier, in comparison with the table rates, for the last five years than for the next previous five years."

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### WILL USE RIVERS TO TRANSPORT FREIGHT

Omahans Attend Conference at St. Louis; Would Revive Navigation.

### NECESSARY WAR MEASURE

St. Louis, Mo., May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Omaha men were appointed on important committees here today at the conference of men from all parts of the Mississippi valley to discuss ways and means of reviving navigation on the Mississippi river and its tributaries, particularly during war times, with the idea of supplementing railroad transportation facilities. Two hundred delegates attended the conference today.

Randall K. Brown, president of the Omaha Commercial club, will serve on the resolutions committee. J. Stewart White of the Missouri River Navigation league will serve on the amalgamation of river organizations committee.

### TEUTON ARMIES RECAPTURE LOST TOWN AND WOOD

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east of Fresnoy village, held by the Canadian troops. Our line was penetrated. The Germans did not long retain their advantage. A counter attack was at once organized and after two hours of sharp fighting the line occupied before the attack was re-established except for a small projecting angle at the extreme east of the position. Severe fighting continues in the region about Fresnoy."

Fresnoy is a town on the Arras front five miles southwest of Lens and was captured by the Canadians on May 3. Since the taking of the town by the British forces the Germans have made desperate efforts to recapture it and the fighting has been almost continuous on that part of the Hindenburg line.

### Paris Reports Artillery Action.

Paris, May 8.—The war office issued the following statement tonight: "Northwest of Soissons and the Chemin-Des-Dames there was no enemy infantry action during the day. The German artillery violently counter shelled, bombarding the Cerny-Hurtelbise sector and the neighborhood of Craonne.

"There were grenade skirmishes east of Vauxaillon. Elsewhere an intermitted cannonade occurred."

### "NATION MUST PAY FOR ACT OF FOLLY"

Roosevelt Says Failure to Prepare for War Will Prove Costly in Blood.

### TRAIN FIRST ARMY ABROAD

New York, May 8.—Having "failed in time of peace to prepare for war," Theodore Roosevelt said in a speech here tonight, the United States and the entente allies will "pay for this act of folly" before the war ends. Meanwhile he urged, Americans must bear themselves manfully in the conflict "and pay with our blood," sending to the front as rapidly as possible a great force of fighting men.

Talking to a Brooklyn audience, members of the King's county republican committee and their guests, the former president discussed the country's participation in the war in its military, social and industrial phases. He suggested incorporation of the unmarried men of the National Guard of the states into regiments filled out either by the draft or from volunteers from the exempted classes and the dispatch of these men to France or England for a period of intensive training preparatory to taking their places on the firing line.

### Eliminate Class Greed.

Colonel Roosevelt emphasized the necessity for economy and the avoidance of waste; said there should be no improper profit-making, but that reasonable profits should not be eliminated; discussed methods of financing the war, and asserted that the great problems which confront the nation could not be solved "in a spirit of class greed" with capital and labor not in partnership.

America has a two-fold duty at this time, Colonel Roosevelt said—first, "immediately to meet with every instrument already available, the immediate needs of the war," and second, "permanently to shape our policy not merely in military, but in social, and industrial matters, so as to place this republic on a permanent foundation of justice and strength."

Back of the military preparation and essential to it, Colonel Roosevelt continued, must be industrial and agricultural preparation. No more pleasure craft should be built, but only cargo ships and cruisers, he said, and flower gardens must give way to food areas.

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### Two Norwegian Ships Are Submerged

London, May 8.—The Norwegian foreign office reports the Norwegian steamers Tolska, Vale and Tromp

sunk by German submarines, says a Central News dispatch from Christiania. Three men were lost from the Vale.

The Vale was of 719 tons, the Tromp of 2,751 tons. No steamer Tolska is listed. The Norwegian

steamer Tolosa of 1,833 tons may be the vessel alluded to.

Department Orders. Washington, May 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Nebraska postmasters appointed: Donald Hooker county; John R. Kelley, vice L. A. Faust, deceased; King, Cherry county, Will Rice, vice A. J. Vauxhn, resigned.

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