U. S. TROOPS TAKE TRENCH LESSONS

Touch of Dangerous Bravado Develops While "Sammies" Await Opportunity to Fire at German First Line.

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The First American Soldiers in the Trenches, American Expeditionary Forces in France, Oct. 23-(Delayed by Censor.)-American infantrymen and German regiments face one another tonight in the first line trenches of the western front

Drab colored soft ground blotched with rust red expanses of wire entanglements, separate the hostile lines along the historic sector in which the American fighting men are located. In supporting positions near the rear American artillerymen with guns are registered on every yard of the immediate terrain, where the French and Germans have been in death holds

There is no moon and the few clouds that veiled the stars seem to accentuate the blackness of the night. Here in the darkness and mud, on the slippery bring steps of trench walls and in damp dugouts, the young, red blooded Americans are mingling for the first time with the veteran troops of France.

Touch of Bravado.

Occasionally a shell wheezes through the soft atmosphere, seeming to lead to an unseen arc of sound in the darkness above. It terminates with a sudden thump in the spongy, water soaked mound behind us. An answering missive of steel whines its way back across the void into the populated invisibility in front of us. A touch of dangerous bravado has

developed after the first hours in the front at darkness. Not a man has been killed yet. Not a man has been wounded. It is not anywhere near as bad as everybody thought it would be.

The infantrymen have all placed a selected and well-polished cartridge in the rifle chamber and are itching for the first opportunity to send their first piece of lead toward the German lines. Each first cartridge case is to be saved and every man has some different plan for inscribing, etching or utilizing this souvenir as a watch charm, a pen-holder or a pocket piece. Shell for President.

The importance of the occasion has pervaded the artillery also and I understand the plan of battery of the ornamentation and disposal of the cartridge case of the first shell have been destroyed by the expressed wish of a major general to secure the shell and forward it to President Wilson properly inscribed.

The noncommissioned officers have been ordered to warn the men about recklessness in trenches. Against these orders, almost every man has taken a coveted look over the top and out across the awesome precincts of No Man's Land.

They think this war is a cinch down below the parapet before he a week. gets it blown off."

bunk, but the story went from mouth to mouth along the trenches and it had the effect for which the sergeant

Think Germans Nervous,

It is quite probable that the Germans across these some hundred yards of blackness are nervous concerning the historic event taking place so near them, and this aervousness they manifested in their repeated attacks on the darkness with star shells.

These aerial beauties of night war-. fare, released from their exploding encasements high in the air, hang suspended from the white silk parachutes above the positions held by the American trench novitiates.

The numerous company and battery jesters do not refrain from imitative expressions of Ahs and Ohs, "ain't it bootiful," as their laughing upturned faces catch the deadwhite glares.

There goes a rocket. It is rearing itself from the darkness somewhere on the left. Its flight is noiseless as it mounts higher and higher on its staff of red sparks. Then it burns, A shower of green balls fall from the

Green for Gas Attack.

This is different, this business. One green rocket is the signal that equipment is adjusted under emer-

It was not a rrench signal. The green rocketa had been sent up by the Germans. There had been no gas shells. It was a false alarm.

"The best kind of practice in the world," said a battalion commander, "It is just the stuff we are here for. I hope the Germans happen to do that every night a new bunch of our men get in these trenches."

The real practice of treuch move-ments had started at 6 o'clock in the morning when the first American shot in the war was fired by Battery C of the battalion to which I am attached. My battery is A. All of its men as well as ment ers of Battery It of the same battalion, take the position to which I am bound to adhere, that Pattery C's first shot was a "Fundge," that is, the shot was fired by Battery C before it went through the prescribed routine of digging itself into the new gun positions and erecting dugouts, which, according to the un-derstanding of the other batteries, was the principal rule in the race for the historic shot.

Bavarian Premier Offered German Chancellorship

Amsterdam, Oct. 29.-The Zeitung Am Mittag of Berlin says the German chancellorship has been offered to the Bavarian premier, Count von Hertling, who has asked for time to consider the matter.



SAILOR INJURED-One man was killed and five slightly injured when an American destroyer was struck by a torpedo from a German U-boat in European waters. William Edward Merritt, of New York, one of the injured sailors.



WILLIAM E. MERRITT

Michaelis' Situation Still Hanging in Air

Berlin, Oct. 29 - Although confirmation is still lacking of reports that Chancellor Michaelis has resigned, Berlin newspapers continue to discuss them and devote columns to speculation as to the probable successor to the chancellor. Prince von Buelow and Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann are mentioned most frequently in this connection.

Press Feeders Strike; Tie

printing establishments in the city, according to union claims, were tied up here today by a strike of press. This huge front has not far from 25

smen thrown out of work The The fool, before he reads this, will by the absence of the feeders anknow what the sergeant told him was with the employers on demands for 10 per cent increase which they have

made. Present pay is \$18 to \$22 a week for feeders and \$20 to \$35 for pressmen. and, it is said, the employers offered a "war relief" scale of increases ranging from 50 cents to \$2 a week.

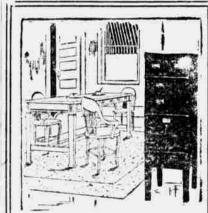
The possibility of asking the government to conscript labor in case of failure to reach an agreement in view of the fact that many of the larger printing concerns have government confragts was brought up at a closed meeting of employers today, it was

Palmer Begins Taking Over Enemy Property in U. S.

Washington, Oct. 29,-A. Mitchell Palmer, enemy property custodian, actually began the business of taking over the millions of dellars of enemy property in the United States today, with a conference with President Wilson, at which the full scope of the work was discussed in detail.

Judge Wade to Preside At The Second Matters Trial

Federal Judge Martin J. Wade of the Germans are sending over gas Des Moines will preside at the secshells. It is an alarm that means the ond trial of Thomas H. Matters, donning of gas masks. They go on which is to begin in the federal court quickly. It is the first time this here next Monday. Matters is under sentence of six years for aiding gency conditions, yet the men appear President Lucben of the First Nato be masters of the contrivances. tional bank of Sutton in the unlawful Then the word is passed along the issuance of certificates of deposit. The trenches and dugouts for their re- circuit court of appeals remanded the case for retrial.



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WANT U.S. TROOPS ON SALONIKI FRONT

General Sarrail, Commanding Army of the Orient, Believes Presence of American Soldiers Desirable.

Saloniki, Oct. 29 .- "We are glad to see Americans here and we want to

see more of them."

This was the greeting of General Sarrail, commander-in-chief of the army of the Orient, to a correspondcut for the Associated Press, who was received at headquarters today.

General Sarrail is a man of large build, much like General Pershing. with gray hair and heavy moustache, big chest and shoulders. He wears the steel gray uniform of the French high command. The bronze stands on the sleeve tell his rank as major general in the French army and generalissimo of all the allied forces on this front, seven nations in all, French, British, Italian, Russian, Serbian, Greek and Albanian.

Yes, we want to see the Americans," he said, "Their reputation has most flattering reports of those who have landed in France just the kind

New Pep Into Ranks.

"This army of the Americans has had a stimulating effect on all our fronts," the general went on. "It was timely and our men seem pleased, for they have been bearing this burden a long time. They have carried on a noble and devoted work, but they are naturally gratified to find that the great American republic now has thrown its tremendous weight into the scales and that the vigor and youth of America will soon be tighting with the allied forces in the cause of humanity.

"For the morale of the troops, as well as the great international effect, nothing could have been more stimulating than the entry of the United office reads: "American Liaison Oi- Kerensky at Front States into the war.

The general desired that the ampfrom the truth

Covers Wide Front.

The army of the Orient has a front of about 350 miles, running across Macedonia, Serbia and part of Albania. It sweeps in a great arc, about 60 miles in Salonika and being on the Aegean Sea at the Gulf of Orfano, on the east, and running to a point 38 miles west of Koritza, Albania. Here it connects with the Italian front icross Albania, which is separate from the army of the Orient.

Generally speaking this 350 miles of front is divided between the British Up New York Print Shops on the right, the French in the center New York, Oct. 29.-Virtually all and the French, Serbs, Greeks, Rus-

after being out here two hours," a top sergeant told me. "We's got a d—fool in our company, and I've had to warn him three times to pull his head grant them a flat wage increase of \$4 princes and pashas on the roster of

Besides the fighting, an immense amount of construction is being done along the whole front, with a net work of splendid roads for the quick shifting of troops, substantial bridges of steel, masonry and vast camps of supplies and ammunition.

Are There to Stay.

Everything is being done with the evident purpose of permanency and there is no evidence of withdrawal, now or later on.

General Sarrail makes frequent visits to the front, going to Monastir, Koritza or some other point as an offensive is delivered. Each of the allied armies has a staff officer near General Sarrail to keep in touch with every branch of the organization. Major Davis of the American army has just been added to these staff officers. The sign on Major Davis'

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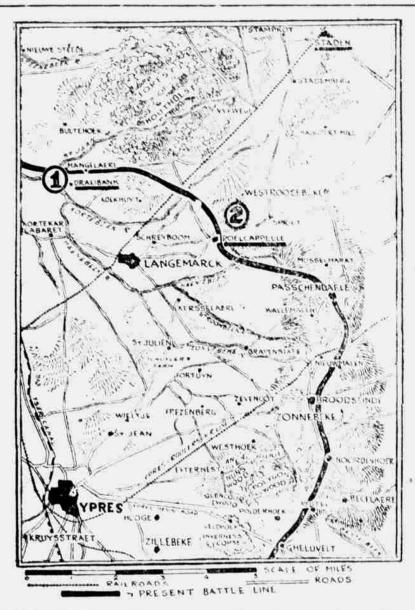
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ncer. What lies ahead of the army of lest facilities be given to see just the Orient is partly a military question what the army of the Orient was do- and partly political. The militaries ing. Reports had been spread in are united in the belief that the Bal-America, probably through German kan front must be held as a vital link propagandists, that the Sarrail army in the chain encircling the central was in a bad way and was going to powers. Also they believe that the withdraw. Nothing could be further greatest stroke of strategy in the war can be made here by a move on the right flank, which will cut through shall be made on the western front.

Consumers Make Slight

To Reorganize Army Petrograd. Oct. 29.-Premier Kerensky has gone to the front. The newspapers today published a note to the effect that the war minister has begun the elaboration of a scheme for the reorganization of part of the army on the basis of separate nationalities.

to the Black sea and sever Germany milk on one side and consumers on from Turkey. But the political counties other on the matter of prices tocils of the entente allies, which co- day continued with slight gains for ordinate all their movements, have the consumers. One large company thus far ruled that the supreme effort announced that beginning next Thursday the price to the consumer would be reduced 1 cent to 12 cents a quart. Twelve cents is, however, 2 cents Gain in Chicago Milk War higher than a year are. Meanwhile 42 representatives of milk companies. Chicago, Oct. 29.-The fight be- were called before the grand jury as Cardiff, Wales, Oct. 29. Speaking ween producers and distributors of the result of charges of price fixing, in regard to the Italian situation here

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Allies To Rescue.

That the allies will now make every errors to emply the Italian army is not doubted I ast week the Italian embassy here bearned that the American shipping board had allorted 25 ships, or 100,000 nees, to Italy and these ships should be able to carry not only maintions but supplies of food to the Italian people and of final to the Italian people and nones go to your drugglet and get I cance thereby relieve the external political of Paricint (double strength), and add to it

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teday, General Smuts, the former South African commander, said Germany sees America rushing in with tremendous weight. Therefore, it is trying to dodge the issue and eatch some advantage in a minor theater of war. It will not help her; it Believe Germany's Greatest will only prolong the war a tew months. The issue is no longer in

Allied Airmen Drop Bombs On German Airdromes

Washington, Oct. 20. Lack of ma- London, Oct. 29. The admiralty to-day is and the following statement reterial, inunitions, successful and unseas garding an rands on German military

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