

## YANKEE FLYERS WIN CITATIONS FROM THE START

Americans Take Part in Aerial Warfare Almost From Hour of Their Arrival in France.

Correspondence of Associated Press. Paris, Sept. 19.—Americans who join French escadrilles, can from the moment of their arrival take part in bombing expeditions, thanks to the sound training they have received, say French aviation authorities. The work of a single group, that under Major Vuillemin, may be taken to illustrate this statement.

During the bombardment of a battle field, Second Lieutenant Bonifas, the observation officer having been killed, his pilot, Second Lieutenant Halley, an American, although himself severely wounded in the arm, succeeded in bringing the body of his companion back into the French lines. Halley brought down a German plane that day.

Second Lieutenant Lloyd Schaeffer, observation officer, was severely wounded in a fight, gaining a citation which spoke of him as "an American observation officer of the very first rank, giving fresh proofs of courage and admirable business each day. In full battle he carried out 15 bombardments at low altitude."

Major Vuillemin has cited Harold Wilson Andrews, second lieutenant observation officer, as "remarkable for dash and skill. Always in the breach, since the late German offensive, he has taken part in several fights. He returned from one with 19 shell splinters in his plane." Andrews was attacked in one instance by 18 enemy machines but succeeded in getting away. The next day he brought down an enemy plane.

"Officer pilot of great courage and high conscientiousness," says a citation of Lt. Edward King MacDonald, who took part in 10 battlefield bombardments during the fighting on the Aisne and in Picardy. Two victories are credited to him.

Lieutenant Pilot William Hoeveler, after several months' work with the American Ambulance, enlisted in the aviation, won a citation for his work in nine bombardments on the battlefield. Having brought down an enemy in one fight, he returned with nine bullets in his machine.

Lieutenant Pilot John Glover is another American who has been cited by Major Vuillemin as "always ready to start, and always volunteering, has given every day fresh proofs of the wonderful qualities of his race."

## Hun Prisoner Trades His Decoration From Kaiser for Cigaret

A British Post, Sept. 30.—German prisoners captured in recent fighting, who have arrived here, show a surprising depreciation of the once coveted iron cross. One of them traded his decoration for a cigarette and an American officer who accompanied the captives from France said several of them spoke slightly of the war taken hestously upon them by Emperor William.

A marked change in the demeanor of the new prisoners was also noticeable. Instead of the arrogant and almost insolent manner which characterized their predecessors, when the Germans were sweeping everything before them, the latest contingent seems humble and crestfallen. Almost every officer and one in 10 of the men wore the ribbon of the iron cross.

The tobacco famine which exists among the prisoners makes it easy for American soldiers to collect souvenirs. The Germans will part with almost any of their belongings for a package of cigarettes. American troops are leaving here for France daily with bands playing and flags flying.

## Record Crops Are Grown by the Allies in Mesopotamia

Washington, Oct. 19.—Despite the fact that Mesopotamia has been raging throughout the year and that many of the inhabitants abandoned their homes and holdings, the soil of that region has been made to add a large share of the world's production of foodstuffs for 1918.

A report from Consul Oscar S. Heizer at Bagdad tells of record crops in many parts of the land of the caliphs. The British army authorities are given credit for much of this production. As a result, it is estimated there will be a surplus of 120,000 tons of barley and wheat after supplying the needs of the civil inhabitants.

## Porto Rico Sends Much Tobacco to U. S. Soldiers

(Correspondence Associated Press) San Juan, Porto Rico, Oct. 15.—Thousands of pounds of tobacco, Porto Rico's favorite "dulse," guava paste and jelly, and thousands of boxes of Rico cigarettes will be sent from the island by the Red Cross to the soldiers on the fighting line in France. A campaign for contributions has already begun.

Last year, the Porto Rico chapter sent 25,000 pounds of paste and jelly to France.

A committee on tobacco has been organized to get together material to manufacture smokes for the soldiers.

## Russian Pretends to Be Czar and Urges Peasants Revolt

Amsterdam, Oct. 15.—Bearing a remarkable likeness to the late Emperor Nicholas of Russia, a pretender who claims to have escaped from bolshevik bondage and to be the former emperor is reported trying to bribe peasants in the Vladimir district of Russia to revolt against the soviet government, according to the Vostok newspaper. The impostor is said to have abundance of money and to have claimed he was seeking a refuge among his "faithful peasants."

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## Coal and Iron Mines in German Lorraine Sold by Baron Wendel

Amsterdam, Oct. 14.—The immense coal and iron mines and smelting works owned by Baron De Wendel in Lorraine have been sold to a German syndicate for the normal equivalent of \$65,000,000, on the ground that they were chiefly owned by French citizens. The process by which this great property was transferred from French to German ownership is called "compulsory liquidation."

Baron De Wendel, reputed to be one of the richest men in Europe, was chief owner of the Lorraine coal and iron fields. His possessions in German Lorraine have long excited the cupidity of the German capitalists. The potential ore supply in this field alone has been estimated at \$1,900,000,000.

The property was divided by the Germans in two groups. The iron fields were sold to a steel combine for 50,000,000 marks. The smelting works and coal mines were purchased for 210,000,000 marks by a syndicate headed by Councillor Vonraumer. The state reserved the right of participation to the extent of 51 per cent in the purchase of the properties.

## Accidentally Shot by Gun in Hands of Friend

West Point, Neb., Oct. 19.—(Special.)—Gus Ingelhardt, jr., was accidentally shot in the knee with a .22 calibre rifle, held in the hands of a companion today. No serious consequences are looked for.

## INFLUENZA CLAIMS MORE VICTIMS THAN GERMAN BULLETS

Disease Can Be Avoided by Keeping Physically Fit, Declare Health Authorities.

According to carefully compiled statistics it is an indisputable fact that the Spanish Influenza Epidemic which is now sweeping all parts of the country is daily claiming far more victims than German bullets on the battle fronts of Europe. Although civil and military authorities have succeeded in checking the disease in some localities, it is growing worse in others and continues to spread at an alarming rate. That the disease can be avoided there is no longer any doubt. According to leading authorities the powers of resistance of the human system can be so perfected that it can throw off almost any infection, not even excepting Spanish Influenza, which is one of the most contagious diseases known.

It is persons who are suffering from lowered vitality, who are weak and rundown and who have not the strength to throw it off who are the earliest victims. Persons who have bad colds, who are suffering from catarrhal troubles, or inflammation of the mucous membranes are especially susceptible, as the inflamed mucous membrane linings of the nose and throat are an open door to the germs. This condition is almost always accompanied by a weakened condition of the system.

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