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ROGERS CHOSEN TO LEAD TICKET

Republican County Convention in Enthusiastic Meeting Endorses Tulsan.

OTHER COUNTIES FOR HIM

Reports From Many Sections Indicate Strong Sentiment for Oil Man.

M'GUIRE COMMENDS PARTY

Declares Old Guard, in Power and Out, Has Always Been for America First.

Tulsa county delegates were instructed yesterday at the mass meeting at the courthouse to support Harry H. Rogers for governor at the state convention of the Republican party at Oklahoma City Wednesday. The name of the Tulsan aroused great enthusiasm, and the vote on a resolution endorsing him as the party's candidate was passed without a dissenting vote. An unofficial resolution was accepted by the convention to the end that the Republicans of the county urge Mr. Rogers to make the race for governor at the head of the state ticket.

Further resolutions were adopted, endorsing the records of Congressman Bert Chandler and Glenn Condon and Harry H. Rogers as representatives from Tulsa county to the state legislature. Both Chandler and Condon will receive the united support of the party in Tulsa county if they run for re-election.

Resolution Is Adopted.

Following is the text of the resolution:

"Resolved: That we, the Republicans of Tulsa county, in convention assembled, do endorse the Honorable Harry H. Rogers as a candidate for governor, and direct the entire Tulsa county delegation to give him the most hearty support. We believe that Mr. Rogers is most extraordinarily well qualified to fill this high office and give the state of Oklahoma that degree of ability, honesty and patriotism to which the people are justly entitled.

"We also endorse the excellent efforts and the record of the Honorable Bert Chandler as congressman from this district. Loyalty to the government has been his watchword and he stands for those underlying principles of government that have proven best for all classes of the people.

"We recognize the excellent efforts of the Honorable Harry H. Rogers and the Honorable Glenn Condon as our representatives in the state legislature from this county and we are glad to give them our fullest endorsement."

Other Counties for Rogers.

Last night telegrams reached A. A. Small, county chairman of the Republican committee, from several counties where conventions had also endorsed Rogers. Among them are Hughes, Carter, Okfuskee and Kay counties. Many conventions were held last night and reports were not available from these at a late hour last night.

Attendance at the mass meeting was reduced greatly by the rain, delegations from Sand Springs, Bixby, Skiatook, Sperry and Owasso being prevented from attending. Chairmen of the delegations from these places communicated with Mr. Small during the afternoon and expressed their approval of the action of the convention and named their delegates to the state convention.

Delegates Are Named.

Eighty-eight delegates were certified by the convention during the session. Tulsa county is allowed thirty-nine delegates and thirty-nine alternates. Many more than this number are anxious to attend the state convention, so it was agreed that all Tulsa county Re-

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FRANKFURTER NAMED WAR ADMINISTRATOR OF LABOR

Secretary Wilson Creates New Office to Bring Central Control In Activities.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Felix Frankfurter of Harvard university, was appointed by Secretary of Labor Wilson today as administrator of war labor activities.

Creation of the office is designed to bring under central control the labor activities of all government departments having to do with the production of war materials. Mr. Frankfurter will co-ordinate the industrial sections of the war and navy departments, the shipping board, the department of agriculture and the war industries board. Heretofore, all of these departments have acted independently in obtaining their labor supply and in making wage awards. Mr. Frankfurter has been serving as assistant to the secretary of war. He recently returned from England and France, where he studied war labor activities.

FRENCH SCHOOL CHILDREN DONATE TO ORPHAN FUNDS

Movement to Provide Home for American Child Extends Beyond Original Plan.

PARIS, May 11.—Two hundred and sixty thousand French school children contributed their sous to a subscription started by the pupils of a school in the Dercy section of Paris to provide for the first American orphans of the war. The original purpose was to raise 365 francs, one by sou, not because the money was needed, but simply as a symbol of French gratitude for Americans aid to French orphans.

The movement promptly went beyond the original plan. Other schools joined in and more than 14,000 francs was raised before the subscription closed.

Mother

O, the sweetness, the tenderness of that dear name
Is earned by the one who is always the same.
Just a plain little woman, she's the dearest and best,
If she's Mother.

Who was it so brave and so tender and true,
Who went down to the depths just to give life to you,
She was thankful and glad in going there, too,
Who would but your own loving
Mother?

Who was it who sat by the little sick bed,
Night after night, her heart filled with dread,
When your little life hung just by a thread—
Your patient, adorable
Mother.

And when with a hurt you ran in from your play,
Who so fondly kissed all the tears away;
Oh, who knelt by your side and taught you to pray—
Your beautiful God-loving
Mother.

Who was always the last one to be newly dressed
When money was scarce and father depressed,
Who toiled all day long without taking a rest—
Your untiring, unselfish
Mother.

Then when you grew up and to college would go,
Who gave you your chance—aye, gave it although
She denied herself all that it might be so?
Your faithful, affectionate
Mother.

And when to the battle front you heard the call,
Who gave you up nobly though you were her all;
She gave you to country e'en though you should fall—
Your loyal, great-hearted
Mother.

Or—when you left the little home nest,
Left Mother—to go with the one you loved best,
With an ache in her heart, who laughed with the rest—
Because you were happy—
Your Mother.

And if ever you bowed that dear head in shame,
Did she love you the less tho' she knew you to blame:
No, forsaken by friends Mother's love is the same.
What so true as the heart of
Your Mother!

Ah, methinks when we reach that land of the blest,
And meet that vast army gone on to their rest,
We will see God reserved just his brightest and best
For Mother—your own
Angel Mother.

—K. B. O.

Today Is Mother's Day Throughout the Nation and in France as Well

Today is Mother's Day! Does your mother know where you are? This is a day set aside by the government as a national holiday and a mother, was the inspiration. A kind, loving mother, like your mother, with a special gift to forgive and forget—with a wonderful power to console and a love unequalled. That is a mother.

General Pershing, commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces in France, issued an order that every man "Over there" should this day write home to gladden the heart of a mother. And in our own country the bright or the white flower worn today by the man, woman or child will bring to the minds of the passersby no other but his mother.

Coincident with the celebration of Mother's Day throughout Tulsa today, a special program for the weekly men's forum at the Y. M. C. A has been planned. Rev. J. W. Abel, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, will deliver an address, "The Sublimity of a Great Cause." All men are invited to bring their mothers and special arrangements for the social hour following has been planned to honor the mothers.

Six-Cent Carfare in St. Louis Is Allowed

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., May 11. The United Railways company of St. Louis was granted the right to charge a 6-cent street car fare in that city by the state public commission today. The ruling becomes effective June 1 and is to continue for a year, when the company must show cause for making the order permanent.

Members of Lafayette Squadron Are Missing

PARIS, May 11.—Thomas Buffun of New York and Donald F. Stone of Mexico, N. Y., both members of the Lafayette flying squadron, are missing. Stone probably is a prisoner in Germany. His machine was seen by infantry observers to fall behind the German lines after a fight in which nine French airplanes and thirteen German machines were engaged.

General Maurice Is Put on Retired Pay by Council of Army

LONDON, May 11.—The army council having considered the explanations tendered by Gen. Fredrick B. Maurice, has decided that he shall be placed forthwith upon retired pay.

The retirement of General Maurice was made known tonight by a brief statement from the war office. It reads as follows:

"The army council having considered the explanations tendered by General Maurice of a breach of regulations committed by him in writing and causing to be published a letter which appeared in the press on the seventh instant, have decided that he be placed forthwith on retired pay."

HOMAGE TO MOTHERS ASKED BY PRESIDENT

Wilson Issues Message to America for Unity in Reverence to Motherhood.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—A nation's unity tomorrow in reverence and in homage to motherhood was asked tonight by President Wilson in a Mothers day message to the American people.

Especially is it fitting at this time, the president said, that mothers of American men who have taken up arms in defense of world liberty be revered and he called upon all to pray God "for his divine blessing upon them and upon their sons whose whole-hearted service is now given to the country which we love."

Messages to American mothers also were issued tonight by Secretary of War Baker, Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, chairman of the women's section of the national council of defense.

Secretary Baker's message was a word from the soldiers at the front asking their mothers to be of good cheer, while Mr. Daniels called upon the nation to join in prayer for all mothers of the defenders of democracy.

President Wilson's message, issued in response to a house resolution, said:

"I take the liberty of calling special attention to the fact that this is Mother's day and I take advantage of the occasion to suggest that during this day our attention be directed particularly to the patriotic sacrifices which are being so freely and generously made by the mothers of our land in unselfishly offering their sons to bear arms and if need be to die in defense of liberty and justice, and that we especially remember these mothers in our prayers, praying God for his divine blessing upon them and upon their sons whose whole-hearted service is now given to the country which we love."

MERCHANT CONFESSES TO OPIUM SMUGGLING SCHEME

Man Arrested by Federal Officers Tells of Bringing Drugs From Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 11.—Operation of an alleged gang of smugglers said to have brought hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of opium and cocaine into the United States from Mexico in the last two years was revealed here today in a confession by T. D. Davis, a merchant, according to Col. John S. Irby, surveyor of the port, and Special Agent William Widwell of the treasury department.

Davis was arrested yesterday when federal officials made a number of raids here which netted more than $50,000 worth of contraband drugs. Warrants were issued for the arrest of Nathan, Abraham and Jacob Scharling of San Francisco, nd Joseph Kube of Honolulu, alleged members of the smuggling ring. The Scharlings until recently were in El Paso and San Antonio.

In his purported confession Davis said he had made large sums by the illicit trade in opium. He said he had received in the last two years many trunks of opium and cocaine from the Scharling brothers in El Paso and San Antonio.

Start day right with Hooper's coffee.

ARMY MAY GROW TO FIVE MILLION IN YEAR

Officials Declare Increments Will Enlarge As Cantonments Are Expanded.

JUNE QUOTA TO EXCEED MAY

By June 1 Draft Men in Service Will Total 1,300,000 in Camp And in France.

ORDNANCE KEEPS IN PACE

Every Soldier to Board Transport Is Fully Equipped With Arms Bureau Announces.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—More than 1,200,000 men have been called in the draft so far and others are in France, in camp or under call to go into service before June 1.

The total of 1,500,000 includes all men summoned in the May contingent. There is every indication that even a larger increment will be summoned in June than was summoned in May, and a progressive monthly mobilization will continue through the summer months as the cantonments are expanded. It is expected that at such a rate the army will reach a full strength of well over three million within the next twelve or thirteen month. It is possible, some officers say, that the number will be closer to five million men than three million.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Although American troops are going overseas in large numbers, the ordnance department has been able to keep up with the new program and every soldier who boards a transport is fully equipped with arms, the ordnance bureau announced today.

Artillery and machine guns already are in France in sufficient quantities, it was said, to meet immediate demands.

The statement said:

"The army ordnance department has thus far met every demand imposed by the new program for overseas shipment of American troops.

"Despite the great acceleration in the sending of American forces to France, no infantrymen goes aboard ship without a United States model 1903 rifle (modified Enfield) bayonet, belt, haversack, pack carriers, bandoliers, bayonet scabbard and full mess equipment.

"Tonnage is today a limiting factor in the shipment of ordnance material overseas, especially because of the present necessity of increasing the transport of infantry regiments.

"Sufficient supplies of artillery, French 75-millimetre and 155-millimetre and American heavy railway artillery are already in France to meet the present demand. Sufficient machine guns are also immediately available for American forces in France."

UNIFIED BANKING SYSTEM IS FAVORED BY BANKERS

Opinion of Members Not Unanimous, But No Hostility to Federal System Is Shown.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 11.—The tendency toward the unification of the banking system of the country was strongly indicated by the discussion at the meeting of the executive council of the American Bankers' association today. Much time was taken up by the report of the committee on state legislation and the opinion of the members of the council was not unanimous. There was, however, no hostility to the federal reserve system. What opposition there was developed as the result of the discussion as to methods to be pursued and the policy to be followed in getting the state banks to join the reserve system. It was disclosed that in Colorado only one state chartered bank has joined the reserve system.

Largest Wooden Ship Launched at Orange

ORANGE, Texas, May 11.—The City of Bonham, the largest wooden steamship ever planned, was launched successfully here this afternoon. The vessel is 320 feet long and 47 feet wide. It was designed by A. Daugherty, whose design of a vessel has been accepted as a model by the United States shipping board.

The Weather

"Zimmie"

Monday fair, warmer in north and west portions.

WILL SIFT AIRCRAFT CHARGES TO BOTTOM

Borglum Charges Pro and Con to Be Investigated Fully by Wilson's Order.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—There were no open developments in Washington today in the aircraft situation in which renewed interest was aroused by the war department disclosures yesterday of the activities of Gutzon Borglum. Officials read Borglum's statement issued in New York, in which he denied he had been guilty of anything improper, but declined to comment.

Meanwhile the department of justice and the senate military committee proceeded with preparations for searching investigations of the manner in which aircraft production had been handled. In their inquiries both will go to the bottom of Borglum's charges against aircraft officials as well as the charges that have been made against Borglum himself.

The army intelligence service, it was indicated today, is by no means through with its own investigation and will continue to gather information concerning the activities of Borglum and his associates, who it is charged, took advantage of Borglum's commission from President Wilson to investigate the aircraft program to further their own ends. President Wilson is determined that the entire situation shall be sifted to the bottom, that all the facts may be established.

The senate subcommittee named to conduct the investigation for the military committee probably will start hearings next week. It has not been decided yet whether hearings will be public.

Two Are Killed When Auto and Train Meet

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, May 11. Fred Tiller and Miss Alta Mae Scott are dead and Miss Matca Blair is not expected to live as a result of an automobile accident which occurred on the Forth Worth & Denver at Hudson switch, five miles south of Rhome at 6:05 o'clock this afternoon. The automobile party, which left Wichita Falls Friday morning with the intention of spending Sunday with friends at Camp Bowie, was hit by passenger train No. 4.

French Plan Observance of Annual Memorial Day

By The Associated Press.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 11.—The French are preparing to join the Americans in the observance of memorial day. American graves scattered here and there behind the fighting front with their simple wooden crosses will be decorated by the comrades in arms of the fallen.

Rumania Must Pay Huns for All Damages in War

AMSTERDAM, May 11.—Under a supplementary, legal treaty between Rumania and Germany the former country must idemnify German consular officials for all damage suffered by them during the war or done to consular buildings. Rumania renounces indemnification for damage caused in Rumania as a result of German military measures, including all requisitions and contributions.

Hun Policy in East Causes Sharp Division in Reichstag

Split of Centrist Party May Bring Downfall of Chancellor Hertling.

REVOLT GROWS IN UKRAINE

Newspapers Declare There Is No Longer Pro-German Party There.

LONDON, May 11.—The likelihood of a split in the centrist party, one of the most powerful in the reichstag, of which Chancellor Von Hertling is a member, is discussed in Berlin newspapers an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company reports. Discussion has arisen over the chancellor's eastern policy. The newspapers say the anti-annexation faction, headed by Matthias Erzberger, may be able to outlast the chancellor's fall.

AMSTERDAM, May 11.—Ukrainian newspapers, which are reaching this country, contain articles showing how the German methods in Ukraine are making opposition and hatred in all quarters. It is difficult to discover evidence of any pro-German party whatever. Even the new government, which is chiefly composed of the owners of large estates, has among its members some prominent white Russians who are known to be strongly opposed to German policies and who may be assumed to have accepted office for the present for purely material reasons.

One of the newspaper articles described the disarming of what is known as the Ukranian Blue Guard, in which a strong anti-German spirit had become manifest. The minister of war told the rada on the following day that the disarming of a portion of the troops was with the government's consent, but that the government was compelled to protest against the brutal methods marking the arrest of members of the chamber.

Another article reports that the first division of the Ukranian army which had been stationed at Kovel had been disarmed by the Germans because of anti-German feeling among the troops. This development is of particular interest in view of the fact that the first division was composed largely of former prisoners of war who, after having been thoroughly dosed with propaganda in German and Austrian prison camps, had been released after peace had been made with the Ukraine, so that they might return home and for mthe nucleus of a new Ukrainian army that was to co-operate with troops of the central powers.

By Associated Press.

MOSCOW, Wednesday, May 8.—The Germans are continuing to make arrests in Ukrania. A general censorship has been established by them at Kiev but it has been learned that they have searched the residence of Prof. D. Grouchevsky, who also escaped. A member of the rada named Petourra was arrested but subsequently was released, protests having been made by several local organizations.

LONDON, May 11.—Russia has been suddenly faced with events that may again change the political outlook, the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Express telegraphs. Germany, he says, has apparently found that economic dominion over Russian territory is insufficient and is seeking military occupation.

An extra session of the Bolshevik government council has been held in Petrograd to discuss the situation created by the ultimatum recently delivered by the German ambassador, Count von Mirbach, which embodied demands of a character apparently calculated to turn Russia virtually into a German colony, Premier Lenine's speech at this meting was extremely pessimistic, the correspondent reports.

According to the newspaper Podnis the question of transferring the capital to Nijni-Novgorod was broached as was the subject of immediate military measures for the defense of Moscow against possible aerial attacks.

GREEK WHO SURRENDERED IN MACEDONIA MURDERED

Hatred Due to Recruiting of Greeks to Fight Native Country Given Cause for Crime.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The murder of Colonel Hadjopoulo, the Greek commander who in 1916 surrendered 2,000 troops to the enemy in eastern Macedonia, was reported to the Greek legation here today in a dispatch from Athens. He had been held with other Greeks as a prisoner in Macedonia. Hatred of the colonel for his part in a movement said to have had the sanction of King Constantine for recruiting Greeks in Turkey to fight against Greece is said to have been at the bottom of the crime, said to have been committed by a Greek sergeant.

LeJoune Goes to France Commander of Marines

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Brigadier General John LeJeune has been ordered to France to command the brigade of marines there, succeeding Brig. Gen. Charles A. Doyen, invalided home. In the interim the brigade will be in command of Brig. Gen. James E. Harbord, who has been a member of General Pershing's staff.

Fifty Soldiers Home to Help in War Stamp Sale

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Fifty American soldiers sent home by General Pershing will tour the country in the interest of the sale of war savings stamps and the Red Cross drive. They will be sent into practically every state in the union. Arkansas will be one of the first states visited.

Germans Trying to Force Dutch Under Complete Control

LONDON, May 11.—Germany has made claims on Holland which are described in a Central News dispatch from The Hague as very serious stipulations that would bring Holland to a great extent under the economic influence of the Germans. These claims are in addition to that one respecting the Dutch tonnage which is demanded for use after the war, as an offset to the tonnage which the allies are now losing.

"Germany is actually endeavoring to make a second Rumania of Holland," says the dispatch.

NATIONAL ARMY MEN CHEERED IN LONDON

Parade Principal Streets of English Capital and Are Reviewed By King George.

LONDON, May 11.—Troops of the national army of the United States arrived in London this morning for a parade through the principal streets of the city. There was a regiment of three battalions in line. The men were brought in from a nearby camp. Large crowds cheered them in the streets and they were reviewed by King George and Ambassador Page.

Bright sunshine and groups of cheering people greeted the Americans when they arrived early this morning at the Waterloo station. Although the presence of American soldiers in London streets has long been a familiar sight, this was only the second time Americans had ever been seen in marching order and it was London's first opportunity to view a part of the national army.

In a few minutes they passed into the streets, marching over the nearest Thames bridge on the way to Wellington barracks at Hyde Park, where they were marhaled for the parade.

On arriving at the barracks each American trooper received a personal message from the king. The envelope bore the royal arms and these words:

"A message from His Majesty King George V."

The message on the note paper of the Windsor Castle and written in fac-simile of the king's handwriting, was a follows:

"Soldiers of the United States, the people of the British Isles welcome you on your way to take your stand beside the armies of the many nations now fighting in the Old World the great battle for human freedom.

"The allies will gain new heart and spirit in your company. I wish I could shake hands with each one of you and bid you God-speed on your mission."

The route of march through London was past the British admiralty, the British war office, the United States embassy, the American navy headquarters, the American army headquarters, the American Red Cross and American nurses' home and Buckingham palace for the march past King George and General Biddle, United States army, commanding the American forces in the United Kingdom.

FINNS PLANNING TO ADD KARELIA BY ANNEXATION

Minister at Petrograd Summoned to Helsingfors for Purpose of Discussion.

LONDON, May 11.—A dispatch to the Times from Stockholm says the Finnish government has summoned M. von Enkel, Finnish minister at Petrograd, to return to Helsingfors for the purpose, it is stated, of discussing the suggested annexation of Russian Karelia by Finland. M. von Enkel is quoted by the correspondent as reporting the situation in Petrograd still precarious owing to the scarcity and dearness of food. The Lenine government, however, is gaining in stability and power, he says, subduing the unruly elements and making an effort to reorganize the army. The number of unemployed is very great and industry is completely at a standstill. The peasantry, who are the principal supporters of the Bolshevik government, the minister added, are still looking to that government for a free distribution of land, most of which in the meantime has been left uncultivated.

Persian Minister to America Is Recalled

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Mehdi Khan, Persian minister to the United States, has been recalled by his government and left today for Persia. Mirza Ali Kuli Hanid ed Dovlah, formerly counsellor, has been appointed Persian charge d'affaires in charge of the legation.

WAGE SCALE IS AGREED ON

Kansas Farmers Meet to Make Prices for Harvesters This Year.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 11.—A minimum wage of 30 cents and a maximum wage of 50 cents an hour for harvest hands in eastern Kansas this year was endorsed at a meeting of farmers from 26 northeastern counties of Kansas, held here today. This endorsement will be presented at a state farm labor meeting to be called later, which it is expected will fix the wage scale to be used throughout the state.

GERMANS CLAIM AMERICAN LOSS

Mine Bombardment Effective Berlin Reports.

FRENCH RE-TAKE GAIN

Brilliant Counter-Attack Launched Southwest of Mailly-Raineval.

HUN DRIVE STILL DELAYED

Week Passes Without Offensive Being Begun by Teutons.

BERLIN, via London, May 11.—Heavy losses were inflicted on the American troops southwest of Apremont and north of Parroy by a strong mine bombardment, according to the official report from general headquarters today.

FRENCH DRIVE OUT HUNS AFTER SUCCESS.

PARIS, May 11.—The Germans attacked the French lines today after violent artillery fire southwest of Mailly-Raineval and gained a small section of territory which was retaken by the French by a brilliant counter-attack, according to the war office announcement tonight. The Germans suffered heavy losses.

BRITISH BRING DOWN TWENTY-SEVEN HUN PLANES.

LONDON, May 11.—Cloudiese weather on Thursday favored British aviators, according to an official statement issued today dealing with air activities and 27 German machines were downed and 12 driven down out of control.

ITALIANS STORM CORNO AND GAIN.

ROME, May 11.—Italian troops stormed Monte Corno and took about 100 prisoners, two guns and four machine guns Thursday night, according to an official statement issued by the war office.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE STILL IS DELAYED.

LONDON, May 11.—Another week has passed without a renewal by the Germans of the offensive that they began March 21, which was halted before Amiens early in April and came to a definite pause on its right flank before the barrier of the Flanders hills, just as the month of May was opening.

Ever since the costly defeat of General von Arnim's army in its desperate assault on the front southwest of Ypres nearly two weeks ago, the beginning of a new effort by the enemy either here or on some other front has been looked for from day to day. Possibly the Germans have been waiting for some allied counter blow which they felt able to withstand and therefore hoped would be dealt.

Foch Puzzles Germans.

If this was the case they must have been disappointed by the waiting attitude of General Foch whom it is felt now will compel the enemy to reveal his further purpose with little delay as time is one of the things he can not afford to squander with the American forces now rapidly summing up to formidable numbers.

Every day gives evidence of the alertness of the allies. Numerous minor operations have been undertaken to improve their positions on the various fronts and their artillery fire has been directed to equally good purpose in breaking up the organized efforts of the enemy. Airplane raids without number in which the superiority of the entente air forces has been clearly shown, have served the same end, besides being notably productive of valuable information while innumerable infantry raids have been almost uniformly fruitful in an informative sense.

Allies Improve Positions.

Betterment of the allied position reported yesterday included an advance by the French on the Flanders front in the neighborhood of Locre, where approaches to Mount Kemmel, one of the bulwarks of the allied line, have thereby been made more secure.

Far to the south of the Somme on the southeiy side of the great Montdidier salient French troops likewise carved a slice out of German held territory near Orvillers-Sorel, seven miles southeast of Montdidier.

As a complement to both these operations there were numerous successful raids, notably one by the French in the region north of Grivesnes, southeast of Amiens, near the point where General Petain's troops made a notable advance as the result of a local attack Thursday and another along the line southeast of Montdidier.

FRENCH CITE AMERICANS FOR EXPLOITS IN PLANES

Official Bulletin Refers to Feats of Boldness by Fliers Thaw and Baer.

PARIS, May 11. — Citations for American aviators appear in the Journal Officiel today as follows:

"William Thaw, major (Pittsburg) commanding the Lafayette squadron, which, following its chief's example, has been remarkable for its boldness and success; a keen pilot at the head of a patrol downed an enemy airplane after a hard fight.

"Paul Marie Baer (Mobile), lieutenant of the same squadron; a pilot of marvelous audacity, never hesitating to engage the enemy in superior numbers, downed an enemy, the second in two days."

Wilson Proclaims Memorial Day As Day of Public Prayer and Fasting

WASHINGTON, May 11.—National Memorial day, Thursday, May 30, is designated by President Wilson in a proclamation issued today, as a day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting. The people of the nation are asked to gather that day in their places of worship and pray for the victory of the American armies, which will bring a peace founded upon mercy, justice and good will.

The proclamation, issued in response to a resolution by congress, follows:

"By the President of the United States, A Proclamation:

"Whereas, the congress of the United States on the 2nd day of April last passed the following proclamation:

"Resolved, by the senate (the house of representatives concurring), that it being a duty peculiarly incumbent in a time of war, humbly and devoutly to acknowledge our dependence on Almighty God and implore His aid and protection, the president of the United States be, and he is hereby respectfully requested, to recommend a day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting, to be observed by the people of the United States with religious solemnity and the offering of fervent supplications to Almighty God for the safety and welfare of our cause, His blessings on our arms and a speedy restoration of an honorable and lasting peace to the nations of the earth;

"And, whereas, it has always been the reverent habit of the people of the United States to turn in humble appeal to Almighty God for His guidance in the affairs of their common life;

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the 30th day of May, a day already freighted with sacred and stimulating memories, a day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting, and do exhort my fellow citizens of all faiths and creeds to assemble on that day in their several places of worship, and there, as well as in their homes, to pray Almighty God that He may forgive our sins and shortcomings as a people and purify our hearts to see and love the truth, to accept and defend all things that are just and right, and to purpose only those righteous acts and judgments which are in conformity with His will; beseeching Him that He will give victory to our armies as they fight for freedom, wisdom to those who take counsel on our behalf in these days of dark struggle and perplexity and steadfastness in our people to make sacrifice to the utmost support of what is just and true, bringing us at last the peace in which men's hearts can be at rest because it is founded upon mercy, justice and good will.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done in the District of Columbia this 11th day of May in the year of our Lord 1918 and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-second.

"WOODROW WILSON

"By the president,

"Robert Lansing,

"Secretary of State."