

GIGANTIC FLEETS ALLIED AIRMEN

WILL THERE TAKE PLACE THIS SPRING MIGHTY CHARGES IN THE AIR?

Some Valuable Opinions of Alan R. Hawley, President of the Aero Club of America—He Says There Will Be Desperate Efforts to Win Supremacy of the Air.

Is the long predicted pitched battle between the fleets of Allied airmen on one side and German fighting flyers on the other imminent? Will we this spring see over the western front mighty charges of cavalry of the air? Alan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America, answers "YES" to both questions.

"There are many indications that this year will see a marked increase in fighting in the air," said Hawley today. "I expect to see heavy fighting in the air, and the efforts of both sides to win absolute supremacy in the air. The last four years of air fighting has been but a tame preliminary to the 1918 struggle.

"We have excellent reason for believing that the Germans have all winter been preparing to send against the Allies large fleets of aviators, who will fly in formation, and manoeuvre as a single body. It will be absolutely necessary for the Allies to send forth large squadrons to meet them.

"First deliveries of the 22,000 aeroplanes of the U. S. \$340,000,000 air programme are now being made in France.

"Germany knows she is in for some hot times from the flying squadrons of England and France, reinforced by the Yankees. She has already tried out some of her 1918 model battle-planes on the western front.

"Air fighting has passed through its first stage—the individual combat, when the knight-errants of old, the individual air fighter sought but a single victory and engaged in single-handed combat.

"At the beginning of this war, there was no such thing as aerial tactics. Air fighting was a matter of the individual skill, initiative, nerve and technical ability of the aviator. The best aviators became aces. "This year's air heroes will be the successful fleet commanders. Just as the individual fighter with lance and sword on his charger has given place to the modern organization of cavalry, with each man in his place, the whole body acting as a unit; so now the tactics of aerial fighting are being evolved, and we may expect to see the fleets of the air manoeuvring in solid formation, obeying the orders of the fleet commander, surrounded by a screen of air scouts, and diving, rising and enveloping a wing of the enemy fleet and destroying it by force of numbers just as modern cavalry, or a modern fleet on the sea would do.

"Instead of horses the aerial combatants will ride 150-mile an hour battle-planes and play each other with Lewis machine guns. It is interesting to note that at the end of 1917, the Germans were recruiting their air forces from the cavalry. Great work is ahead for our aviators."

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Breadful Doings

"Do you know there are times when it is positively terrifying to enter a church," observed a lady to the Bishop of Lincoln, at a dinner party.

"That cannot be madam," returned the bishop; "pray explain."

"Why," said the lady, "it is when there is a canon at the reading desk, a big gun in the pulpit; when the bishop is charging his clergy, the choir murdering the anthem and the organist trying to drown the choir."

Annual Hay and Pasture Crops.

(Experimental Farms Note.)

Taking Canada as a whole, annual hay pasture crops are generally used as supplementary crops and are therefore of a secondary importance as compared with hay for pasture crops of a perennial nature, such as alfalfa, clover, timothy, etc. There are districts, however, especially in the Prairie Provinces, where annual hay and pasture crops are rather important. This is especially the case where the supply of natural prairie hay and pasture is scant, and in districts where on account of light precipitation cultivated perennial hay and pasture crops yield comparatively small returns.

It is not our intention to give any detailed account of the various annual hay and pasture crops that are grown in the different parts of the Dominion. We simply wish to call attention to a general way to their importance, the more so in the indications are that it may be in the farmers' interest to use annual hay and pasture crops to a greater extent the coming season than ever before.

When it comes to the question of what kinds of annual hay and pasture crops are likely to prove most profitable, we would first of all give this advice: Do not take a chance with crops that are not sufficiently well known.

Especially during the last few years, a number of southern forage plants have been widely advertised as gold mines for Canadian farmers. Their wonderful yields and excellent qualities in general have been vividly described and, as a result, quite an interest has been taken in them. The forage plants referred to may be all what they are claimed to be in the south, but when they are grown as far north as Canada, their yielding powers are generally sadly disappointing. Some of them may have some value in certain very restricted localities and may be used for special purposes but, generally speaking, their general usefulness is very limited.

It is our opinion that, at present, we cannot afford to take any gambling chances with crops that we are not sure will prove successful. And really, there is no necessity for doing it, as there are a large number of annual crops that are known to be excellent for pastures in Canada. Suffice it to mention that various grain crops may be used very successfully as supplementary hay and pasture crops, either alone or mixed with peas or vetches. For certain districts and under certain conditions, varieties of mill-lets may be used for hay, especially when spring sown crops for some reason or other have failed to catch satisfactorily, and, as a pasture crop, rape is one of the most profitable annual crops for all round purposes.

In cases in which there is some doubt as to what kind of annual hay or pasture crops is likely to give the best results under certain conditions and for certain purposes, please write Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, or the nearest Dominion Experimental Station.

Tidal Bores

[Yarmouth Telegram.]

During the gale on Tuesday, several tidal bores, which in some sections were severely felt, took place along the Bay shore. At Sandford they occurred between 12 and 1 o'clock (noon) or about an hour and a half ebb, when a huge sea, or as the residents termed it a tidal wave, rushed in some feet above high water mark and at once receded well out low water. In the turmoil a large lobster car containing several crates of lobsters, moored at the wharf, was completely overturned and all the crates except one, washed out of it and destroyed. Another smaller car was also badly damaged.

At Port Maitland the bores were equally severe and several boats, moored at the breakwater, suffered much damage. They occurred about the same time as at Sandford. The huge seas rushed in by the breakwater and into the pond beyond. Large, heavy ice cakes were carried with the sea and crashed against the fish boats with terrific force, breaking holes in some of them, while one or two were swamped. Fortunately none of the men were in the boats and no one was injured, but for a few minutes the residents had a very anxious time and beyond what was done to the boats no other damage is reported. This is the second time within a few weeks that tidal bores have been reported as occurring in that locality.

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Military men who have returned from Palestine, tell a story to the effect that General Allenby, commander of the British forces there, is held in great respect by the Arabs, as the result of an ancient prophecy. The prophecy is to this effect: "He who shall save Jerusalem and exalt her among the nations shall enter the city afoot and his name will be God the Prophet."

At first reading this sounded almost like a paraphrased version of the Scriptural prophecies of the coming of the Christ; but the Arabs have a very different interpretation from this. Their interpretation gives the General's name as "Allah Nabi," and Allah means God and Nabi means prophet; therefore, particularly as the General entered the city by foot through the Joppa gate, the connection is complete.

To the Arabs that settles it. It must have been by the divine interpretation that he obtained a triumph over the Turks. No mere story of military prowess or superior preparation will explain it. Thus, General Allenby's name seems to have been profitable no matter what the prophets may have thought of the virtue in it.

He Guessed He Hadn't.

There is an amusing story going round the British grand fleet, just the kind of joke which Jack Tar likes to give and take with his friends. It is quite seriously affirmed that when an American squadron, consisting of the U. S. S. Delaware, New York and Wyoming, with destroyers and other craft, came up to the Fifth, the British flagship signalled to them.

"You are to anchor west of the Forth Bridge."

But the Americans passed under the bridge and sailed on. Shortly the British Admiral made another signal. "We signalled just now that you were to anchor west of the Forth Bridge; why don't you stop?"

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Only Married Men Granted Furlough.

OTTAWA, March 4.—The total number of men of the First Contingent, who have been given leave to return to Canada on furlough is approximately fifteen hundred. The leave is granted only to married men. The military authorities decided that in view of present exigencies on the Western front and other military considerations, it was not practicable to grant extended leave to all the veterans of the First Contingent. The men with families in Canada have consequently been given the preference.

AMERICANS HOLD EIGHT MILES

They Occupy a Divisional Frontage and Have Three Divisions on the Battle Line

WASHINGTON, March 6.—American troops are now holding something over eight miles of trenches on the battle-front in France, it was learned today, although in an air line there frontage is only about four and a half miles. This frontage is liable to extension at any time to the regular trench allotment for an army corps.

Irregularity of the trench lines is responsible for their eight miles of length. They are laid out so that flanking fire may be obtained along every part of the front. Strong points containing machine guns just out for this purpose. The trenches follow closely any protective slope of the country and wander up and down hill.

The American sector is understood to be a divisional frontage, which means that at least three divisions of American troops are there to give the necessary support in depth for the front lines.

German Raiders Were Repulsed

HEADQUARTERS AMERICAN TROOPS IN FRANCE, March 5.—(By the Associated Press)—American troops on still another place on the French front have been repulsed by the Germans, who were repulsed with losses. This is the first time permission is given to mention this engagement. The American forces entered the battle line in a certain place in Lorraine. The French commander congratulated the Americans on their behaviour.

The foregoing is confirmation of the French official statement of March 5, which said a German attack on trenches held by American forces in Lorraine on the night of March 4, was repulsed.

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