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CONSCRIPTION FOR CANADA

Twenty Thousand United States Troops for France

UNITED STATES TO SEND 20,000 MEN TO FRANCE

Army Division of Regular Troops, in Command of General Pershing, Will Proceed Overseas as Early as Practicable, Says President Wilson.

Washington, May 18.—President Wilson tonight directed that an expeditionary force of approximately a division of regular troops, under command of Major-General John J. Pershing, proceed to France as early as a date as practicable. Gen. Pershing and staff will proceed to France...

SIR ROBERT BORDEN ANNOUNCES AN IMMEDIATE SELECTIVE DRAFT

Between Fifty and a Hundred Thousand Men Will Be Raised at Once for Overseas Duty, Under the Provisions of the Militia Act, the Bill Calling for Such Action Being Introduced at Once, and a United House Will Pass the Necessary Legislation Next Week.

The portion of the prime minister's speech dealing with conscription follows: Sir Robert said that Canada had now four divisions at the front...

ALLIES' WARSHIPS DRIVE OFF ENEMY CRAFT IN ADRIATIC

Austrian Cruisers, Two Badly Damaged, Pursued by British, French and Italian Warships—British Cruiser Disabled by Torpedo and Fourteen Drifters Sunk.

London, May 18.—The British Admiralty announced today that fourteen drifters had been sunk in a raid by Austrian light cruisers in the Adriatic Sea, and that the British light cruiser Dartmouth was torpedoed in a subsequent engagement with the Austrian warships...

CANADA'S DEEP DEVOTION IMPRESSES GEN. JOFFRE

Marshal Deeply Grateful for Evidence of Warm Feeling Toward France at Time When Cause Demands Strongest Effort.

Ottawa, May 18.—Sir George Foster has received the following message of appreciation of his reception in Canada from Marshal Joffre: "In the name of the French mission, I thank you for the splendid manifestation by the population of Montreal rendering the sentiments which the unanimity of the Canadian population wished to show toward France, its army, its navy, which we have the honor to represent..."

CANADIAN GUNS RAZE DEFENCES NEAR LENS

Infantry Enjoys Breathing Spell—Drafts From England Arrive at Front to Replace Casualties—Foe Cannon Silent.

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, May 18.—While the battle to the south between the Canadian front and the Scarpe rages, and the steady roll of artillery shows the increasing intensity of the struggle, on our front the only important action undertaken this morning was the destruction of the German defensive works southwest of Lens...

Verbatim Report of Sir Robert Borden's Declaration for Conscription

Message From the Front. I bring back to the people of Canada from those men a message that they need our help, that they need to be supported, that reinforcements must be sent there...

CAMERONIA SUNK BY A SUBMARINE

One Hundred and Forty Men Drowned From the Ship. OWNED BY ANCHOR LINE Had Been Used as a Transport for Two Years.

London, May 17 (delayed).—The British admiralty issues the following statement for newspapers of Saturday: "The British transport Cameronia, with troops, was torpedoed by an enemy submarine in the eastern Mediterranean on April 15. One hundred and forty men are missing, and are presumed to have been drowned."

BRAZIL TO LINE UP ON SIDE OF ALLIES

Rio Janeiro, May 17.—It is believed that Brazil will shortly renege the decree of neutrality as affecting the war between the United States and Germany.

DINEEN'S MEN'S HATS

A newly-arrived shipment of English hats has reached Dineen's, the cases having been opened yesterday. The consignment includes Christy and Heath famous London made, and the genuine Borsalino.

Story of His Trip

Sir Robert Borden in opening said that the invitation from the British premier to attend the imperial war cabinet and imperial war conference had been received on December 20 last. He had sailed with his two colleagues on February 12, arriving in London on February 25, but the conference did not actually commence until March 20. On the way over they had been forcibly reminded of the submarine menace.

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