

WIRES KEPT BUSY AS ALLIED CHIEFS SPEED GREETINGS

French and British Army Heads Congratulated by C-in-C.

CABLES POUR IN AT G.H.Q.

Military and Naval Leaders, Organizations and Individuals at Home Felicitate A.E.F.

From all over the world messages of congratulation have been pouring into General Pershing's headquarters...

To Marshal Foch, General Pershing wired on the A.E.F.'s behalf:

On this day, made memorable by the signing of the armistice...

To General Petain, commander of the French Armies of the North and the Northeast...

On the occasion of the signing of the terms of the armistice and the cessation of hostilities...

General Petain's reply, as translated, reads:

I wish to thank you in my own name, and in that of the French Army...

The British Commander-in-Chief, Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig...

These are my hearty greetings and congratulations to the American Expeditionary Forces...

Sir Douglas replied:

I am greatly touched by the kind message you have so goodly sent to me...

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General Pershing replied:

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The British Military Representative and the Officers of the British Section of the Supreme War Council...

Please accept my personal thanks and the thanks of the American Expeditionary Forces...

From the United States

Of the many messages from organizations and individuals in the United States...

The Parents' Association of Soldiers and Sailors extends its sincerest congratulations and heartfelt thanks...

Mayor Miller, of Lincoln, Neb., inquired by cable...

The victory binds together closer than ever all English speaking people...

TWO OBSERVER ACES ON AIR HONOR ROLL

Second Bags Fifth Plane Week Before Armistice Is Signed

FOKKERS COME IN CLOSE

Pilot Only Bruised in Small of Back When Bullet Pierces Gas Tank

American aerial observers found time, before the armistice was signed, to double their number of aces...

Readers of last week's STARS AND STRIPES may recall the story of His ACEPIES Lieut. William F. Erwin...

And now comes (as the subpoena used to say) Lieut. E. Easterbrook...

By November 3 the Americans fighting in the Argonne had crumpled up the Kriemhilde line...

Four Fokkers came up to bar the way. Capt. Clark's machine gun jammed...

Lieut. Easterbrook, piloted by Capt. Arthur Clark, was soaring back, having seen a lot...

Meanwhile, the Fokker quartet had closed in to the altogether unhealthy distance of 20 meters...

The American plane's gas tank was by now more or less slevy...

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D.S.M. FOR C-IN-C. AS VICTORY COMES

Gen. Bliss Makes Presentation—Chaumont Brings Its Own Gift

Acting under telegraphic instructions from President Wilson, General Tasker L. Bliss, America's military representative at the Allied Supreme War Council...

The ceremony took place on the parade ground of the old French barracks at Chaumont, where the American Headquarters since shortly after General Pershing came to France...

The President of the United States has awarded a Distinguished Service Medal to General John J. Pershing...

When the order had been read, General Bliss said:

To do this, I wish there stood in my place one of the American soldiers of the Army which you have so splendidly led...

General Bliss, I know of no honor that could come to an American greater than the honor which has come to me today...

Afterward, in the C-in-C's office, the mayor of Chaumont presented General Pershing with a gold knife upon which was superimposed the seal of the United States.

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PLENTY OF CLOTHING TO KEEP ARMY WARM

Q.M. Has Million Jerkins and Several Other Odds and Ends

Although there are 2,000,000 odd American soldiers in France, they will all have enough to wear and be able to keep warm this winter...

With the boys at the base ports still busy unloading the ships and with tons and tons of O.D. stuff still arriving every day, the Q.M.C. in a breathing period...

For instance, there are 1,000,000 leather jerkins on hand for troops on outdoor work. Most of the troops on such duty already are wearing their leather jerkins...

Then there are 2,000,000 blouses and a million and a half breeches and slacks trousers. Woolen undershirts total 5,000,000, undershirts total 2,350,000...

Heavy blue woolen sweaters were being issued to the American troops holding the Alsace sector through the Vosges mountains.

More than 2,400,000 pairs of field shoes are waiting to be given out, although the Q.M.C. is making all the dollars count...

Other things on hand include 2,800,000 pairs of wool gloves, 1,900,000 pairs of spiral puttees and 700,000 woolen blankets.

When the last words had been uttered, General Bliss stepped forward and fastened the medal upon the breast of General Pershing.

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PREMIUM LOANS FOR A.E.F. MEMBERS

Relief Act Proviso Affects Policies Outside of War Risk Insurance

Members of the A.E.F. holding certain life insurance contracts with commercial life insurance companies and fraternal orders or organizations may have those policies kept in force with payment of premium guaranteed by the Government...

This proviso is contained in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, approved in March, and now explained fully in a G.H.Q. Bulletin, No. 88.

The act provides that in a proper case the Government will guarantee to the insurance company or fraternal organization the payment of the premiums on insurance not to exceed \$5,000.

Before any loan or settlement can be made on any policy receiving relief under the act, the written consent of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department, must be obtained.

Members of the A.E.F. will apply to the War Risk Section, Hq., S.O.S., for forms on which to make out these requests.

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