The Raid on Paris.

A communiqué issued in Paris on September 16th stated that "Several squadrons of enemy aeroplanes made for the Paris district in the small hours this morning. They were reported to be on their way, and were chased by our outposts. An intense barrage was put up, and other means of defence were also brought into action. Several bombs were dropped, and there were some victims. Among them was M. Antoine Troubat, Deputy Chief of the Quaestors of the Senate, who was killed. Some material damage was also done."

In the course of the raid two German bombing aeroplanes were brought down by the defence artillery. The bodies were found near one of the northern suburbs—Gonesse. The bodies were brought down by the defence artillery. The German communique of September 16th stated:—"As a reprisal for the continued bombing of German towns 22 tons of bombs were dropped on Paris during last night by our bombing squadrons."

U.S. Air Ministry Proposed.

A cable message from Washington states that by eleven votes to two the Military Committee of the Senate on September 17th reported favourably on the Bill introduced by Senator New providing for a separate Department of Aeronautics.

Air Work in Palestine.

"During the past few weeks the air force in Palestine have destroyed 11 German machines and driven down six," says Mr. W. T. Massey in a message dated August 28th. "All but one fell within the enemy lines. The offensive spirit of our airmen is well exemplified by a morning's work of two Australian pilots on August 24th. The two machines in company flew over enemy country. When deep into the plain of Sharon they espied an enemy two-seater, whom they rapidly overtook. Instead of the latter diving he kept level and fired many signals. As the enemy machine was obviously a decoy, one pilot swung round and found six German machines and sent the machine crashing to the ground.

The first meeting of the new session of the Institution of Automobile Engineers will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd, at the Royal Society of Arts, John Street, Adelphi, W.C., at 7.30 p.m., when Mr. A. A. Remington will deliver his presidential address. Cards of invitation can be obtained on application to the Secretary of the I.A.E. at 28, Victoria Street, S.W. 1.


Secretary: Lieut.-Com. H. E. Perrin, R.N.V.R.


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