

UNSEEN DEATH CHIEF TERROR OF THIS WAR

Romance Is Gone Says English Captain in Letter to Paper.

MANCHESTER, ENGLAND, Sept. 20.—"There is no romance left in war; it is a dirty business, and every one of us who is into it is determined that when we finish this war, it shall be so thoroughly finished that nobody will ever start another."

Thus writes a British transport captain in a letter to his local newspaper, describing how he had just lost twenty of his men, although they were nearly a dozen miles behind the front, through a shell from a German long-range naval gun fifteen miles away. The shell was a chance shot. Here is the captain's story:

"We have descended on a war of stink-pots, of spectacled chemists leering horribly in obscure laboratories while they concoct the tortures of the damned, of medieval poisons, of flying death from the clouds. It is less like war than some elemental devilishness which man is as powerless to control as he was the volcanoes which overwhelmed Pompeii or St. Pierre. It is not alone in the fore-front of the battle where men stand face-to-face, but in quiet places far back, where death flings himself with outrageous violence and suddenness. The dead men have never seen their foe; there has been no contest, no combat."

Should Hear of It.

"I witnessed an incident today the like of which I have seen before, the like of which is happening every day along these hundreds of miles of battle line. It is as well you should hear of it who have a quiet roof over your heads, who wait placidly under your umbrellas at the street corner for your tram car."

"I was at a cross roads, and a vast amount of traffic was moving by it, guns and wagons and panting motor lorries and officers on horseback and ambulances. Far in front hung motionless in the air the long row of balloons that marked the circle of the front."

"It endured perhaps but two seconds before it precipitated that frightful tragedy towards which it was moving, but every second was an age. Every man who heard it held his breath."

"Now the whistle changed to a sudden plunging roar. A quarter of a ton was falling headlong through space and yet invisible. A rocking crash, and up from the road leaped a volcano of black earth and smoke and stones. The whole air filled itself with shrieking bits of metal, whirling, swathing of dust and choking fumes. Horses were plunging, men cursing. Above all rang the screams of mortal agony."

"I gazed with horror towards the spot and saw a wagon lying with its wheels up in the ditch, its horses lying motionless nearby. In the grass by the roadside lay some inert figures of men whose absolute motionless told its own tale."

"One thought of the homes suddenly emptied for away, of mothers and wives and children that would wait in vain. And it has all been done by the unseen hand that had just pulled a string fifteen miles away."

Iowa Votes on Wet and Dry Question

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 15.—Iowa voters went to the polls in a special election today to ballot on a constitutional amendment to determine whether or not the manufacture and sale of liquor shall be prohibited. Defeat of the amendment means that, by legislative enactment, the state can again authorize the sale of liquor whenever a "wet" legislature sees fit to do so. Iowa has been dry for two years under statutory provision.

Something Rotten Delaying Victory For Allies, He Says

PARIS, Oct. 15.—Leon Daudet, editor of L'Action Française, who has taken a prominent part in the exposure of German intrigue in France, writes under the heading, "I am doing my duty in the plot against France," that every one had noticed since the war began that "there was something rotten somewhere which delayed the victory of the allies." He continues:

"This something was German money employed within the allied countries. There was the Bolo Pasha fund for corruption of the press, the Von Buelow fund for diplomatic intrigues, and the Hohenlohe fund for promoting crimes and sedition. The last named fund in my opinion was by far the most important."

"It was employed to promote the plot, carefully prepared for months, which broke out in both the army zone and the rear formations in May and June of this year. This plot nearly attained the results hoped for by the German government."

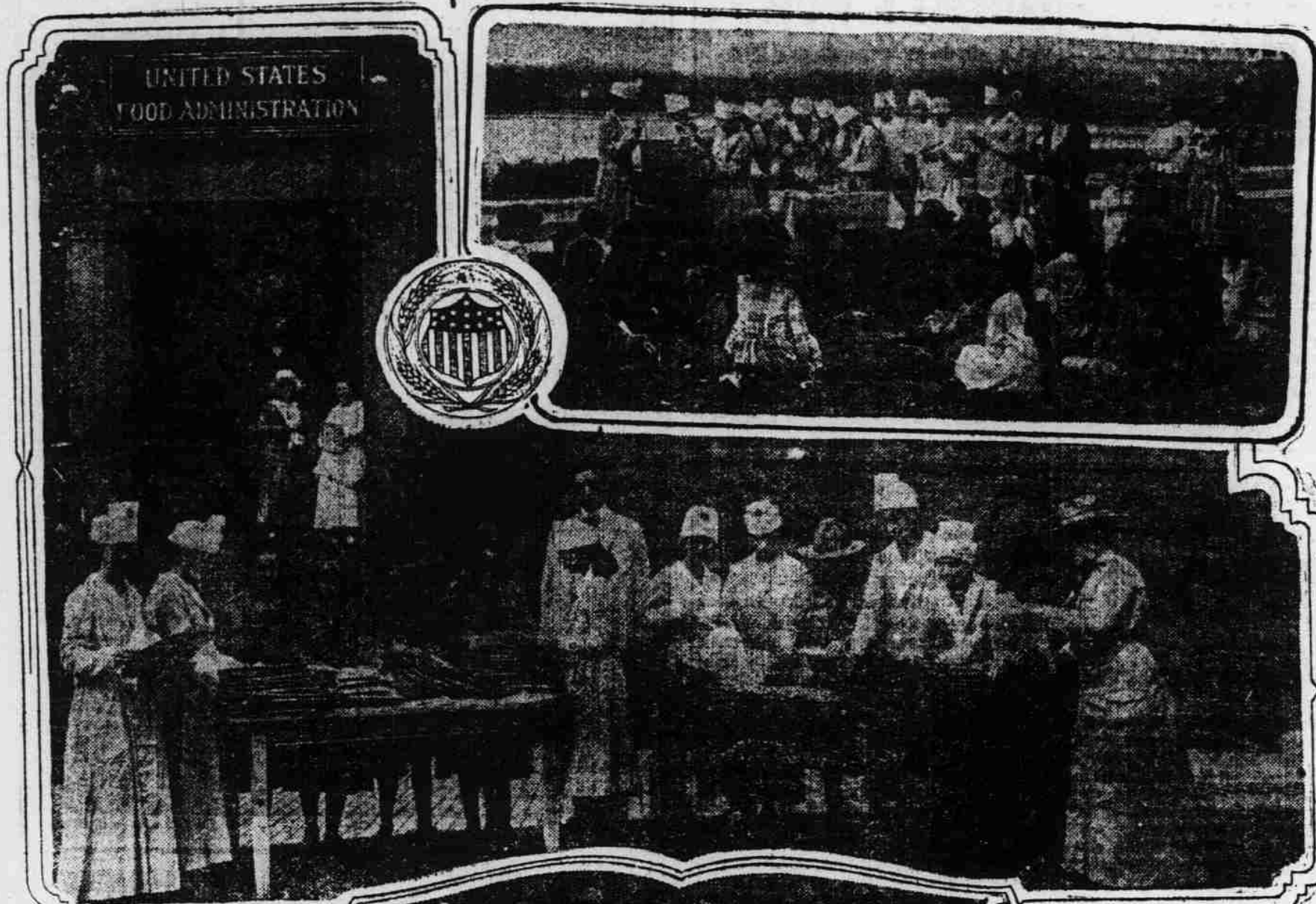
Merger of Friends' Mission Boards

Acting Secretary Ross Hadley of the Friends Board, Mrs. Harlow Lindley and Miss Carolyn Carpenter have returned from Indianapolis, where they attended sessions of the tenth centennial conference of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Union of Friends at Indianapolis.

The merging of the home and foreign missions under one constitution was the most important action taken. Hadley made an address Saturday night.

The smallest dependency of France is the Ile d'Hoëlle, situated at the east of Belle Isle. Its population is 324.

150,000 Girl Scouts To Aid Food Administration, "To Save For A Soldier", Is Their Pledge



Girl Scouts mailing pledge cards.

GREECE COULD HAVE BEEN A GREAT POWER

Premier Says Opportunity Was Killed by King's Germanic Policy.

ATHENS, Oct. 15. (Correspondence of The Associated Press).—A dream of empire which would have made Greece a ruling power in Asia Minor along the route to the Orient came very near being realized at the opening of the war in Europe. This has just been brought out with official exactness in the mass of diplomatic documents laid before parliament, and in statements by Premier Venizelos and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Politis. Referring to the territorial concessions which Greece could have acquired at that time, Mr. Venizelos said:

"I had succeeded in obtaining the recognition of the rights of Hellenism over western Asia Minor. And I can say without exaggeration that the day I received the communication of Sir Edward Grey speaking of very important territorial concessions on the coast of Asia Minor, was a day of rejoicing as keen as that when the treaty of Bucharest was signed, giving us Saloniki, Macedonia and new Greece."

"I, who had known how small and feeble Greece was only three or four years ago, saw the stupifying bound she was about to make. This little Greece had now succeeded in occupying a place equal to that of the great powers in the settlement of the fate of Turkey which had been the apple of discord between the European powers."

King Was Opposed

But as Asia Minor was a field of German ambition and hope M. Venizelos said he found himself opposed not only by the then king Constantine, but also by the army general staff, which, he declared, "served a policy purely Germanic." And with this opposition, backed by the king, the opportunity held out to Greece to become a great power in Asia was finally lost.

M. Politis, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, gave some of the details of these concessions, and told how near they came to being realized in two formal treaties.

"Such was the desire of the western powers," he said, "to have Greece adopt a policy mutually advantageous to them and to Greece, that they declared to the Hellenic government that they were ready to assure to Greece, in return for its cooperation in the war against Turkey, Smyrna and an important part of the hinterland."

After lengthy discussion, M. Politis said, a double convention was concluded. But at this point the army staff intervened and succeeded in defeating the plan.

While these large territorial plans came to nothing, yet their definiteness indicates they may again be heard from when the final adjustment of the war takes place, for Greece is not unlikely to have the same aspirations toward entering Asia Minor, and the western powers the same willingness they have already shown to give Greece a foothold on this route to the Orient.

DENY LA FOLLETTE'S REQUEST FOR BROADENING OF INQUIRY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Chairman Pomeroy of the senate committee investigating Senator La Follette's St. Paul speech, today refused La Follette's request that the inquiry virtually be broadened to acquit or convict him of disloyalty and held that the investigation could only concern the much concerned speech and the accuracy of its statements.

EXPERTS GIVING CANNING LESSONS TO GIRL SCOUTS, AT CAMP OF MRS. DELANCEY NICOLL, OSSINING, N. Y.

Girl Scouts of America, with a membership of approximately 150,000, are taking an active and practical part in the work of the United States Food Administration.

All through the summer they have made gardens, harvested their own crops and have canned the perishable products.

"To Save For A Soldier" is the heading of the special pledge cards which they are signing, and for that patriotic end they agree to use self denial in the matter of meat, wheat, candy and sweet drinks, to use more vegetables and fruit in the place of food which may be shipped across the sea to our armies and our allies and to help in securing milk for the children of soldiers.

The Girl Scouts of Washington, D. C., met on Labor Day at the U. S. Food Administration building to mail to 1,000 Scout captains in all parts of the country, photographs of the U. S. Food Administration uniform, the pledge card and the special Girl Scout pledge card.

French Women Present American Flag to General John Pershing

AMERICAN TRAINING CAMP IN FRANCE, Sunday, Oct. 14.—The mayor of the town in which the American field headquarters is located presented to General Pershing today a silken American flag, on behalf of the women of the town who made it. The ceremony took place in the hotel de ville, the interior of which was decorated with French and American flags. Many French and American officers, civilian officials and women were present.

In his presentation speech the mayor referred to the splendid sacrifices of the women of France and America, who not only were sending away their sons to fight for democracy, but were making the war possible by their energetic work at home. Accepting the flag General Pershing said:

COMMITTEE TO DRAFT BY-LAWS

New constitution and by-laws will be drafted for the Social Service bureau by a committee composed of Howard A. Dill, chairman, Mrs. Frederick J. Bartel, Frederick Bates, Mrs. Paul Ross and George Seidel.

The motion was made and carried Sunday afternoon when a meeting of 25 members was held at the Y. M. C. A. to discuss a plan for reorganization.

N. C. Helionimus presided. Mrs. D. W. Dennis was made chairman of the meeting and Mrs. Elbert W. Shirk was named secretary pro-tem.

Those present at the meeting Sunday afternoon were Superintendent Giles, Dr. A. J. Whallon, Fred G. White, Mrs. D. W. Dennis, Mrs. Ben Rush, Mrs. Millard Warfel, Miss Mary A. Stubbs, Sam Fred. A. L. Smith, Mrs. John H. Johnson, Mrs. Harry C. Starr, Dr. J. Herschel Coffin, James A. Carr and Mrs. Elbert W. Shirk.

Odd Names in New York.

For odd names New York takes the prize. Almost every calling is represented among the names of New Yorkers, besides every title, physical, mental or moral quality and every beast and bird familiar to man. Here are some New York names: Outlaw, Hog, Gosh, Dorn, Jolly, Nutty, Looney, Kidder, Tout, Hurt, Fake, Grunt, Darnall, Fun, Laffers, Krazy, Geyer, Bunk, Tough, Pain, Crook, Gee, Dumn, Wit, Mutt, Batty, Stringer, Fight, Drawl.

U. S. Food Administration.
At top—Girl Scouts learning to use perishable foods.

Soldiers' Names on Church Honor Roll

Names of men who are serving Uncle Sam in the war, and who were members of St. Mary's Catholic church, will be posted on a roll of honor and hanged in the church.

Already there have been twenty-five names posted of men who either enlisted or who were chosen for army service by the Richmond selective army board.

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STATE IN DIRE NEED OF COAL, WILSON IS TOLD

Seek Appointment of State Coal Director Within Forty-eight Hours.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 15.—Edgar D. Bush, Lieutenant Governor acting for Governor Goodrich, at noon today sent telegrams to President Wilson and to H. A. Garfield, federal fuel director, again expressing Indiana's dire need for federal relief in the coal situation through the appointment of a state coal director.

The telegrams, which were identical in wording, ask federal officials to take action by appointing some men to handle the Indiana situation "within forty-eight hours" and to answer "yes" or "no" as to whether such action would be taken.

The Lieutenant Governor meanwhile was to hold a conference this afternoon with President William Lowe Bryan of Indiana University who has been chosen by the Lieutenant Governor to proceed to Washington unless action toward appointing a state coal director is taken at once—and laid the serious situation existing in Indiana and directly before President Wilson.

Will Advertise Art and Travel Course

The Education committee of the Art Association composed of Miss Mary E. Williams, chairman, Miss Carrie Lesh, Miss Alice Unthank, Miss Martha Whitacre, Miss Emma Leeson, Mrs. Kate Morgan, Miss Anna Lupton, Miss Hettie Elliott, Miss Ada Woodward, Miss Eva Johnston, Mrs. Clara Graves, Miss Agnes Stillinger and Miss Jane Dunlop, met Saturday afternoon at the High School.

The committee decided to distribute cards among the parents of the pupils advertising the Art and Travel Course at the night school.

The committee discussed plans for the coming year relative to interesting the community in art in the homes.

American Ship so Well Camouflaged it Escapes Notice

AN ATLANTIC PORT, Oct. 15.—An American steamship which arrived here today from Europe was so cleverly camouflaged that a freighter met 400 miles off the coast yesterday, did not sight her until the American vessel, suspecting the freighter might be a screen for a submarine, fired a blank shell.

The American ship used international code flags to demand to know the freighter's identity. The cargo vessel failed to reply, but when the shot was fired she immediately ran up the flag of Sweden, followed by a string of pennants, indicating she was carrying food to the Belgians. Later the Swedish ship reported she had failed to observe the American liner, owing to the latter's methods of concealment.

Meantime the American vessel fired a six-inch projectile at what was at first believed to be the periscope of a submarine hiding behind the freighter. The object proved to be a derelict spar. The shell reached its mark.

EAT WHAT YOU WANT WHEN YOU WANT IT

People who consistently deny their appetite some particular dish appealing especially to their palate, because indulgence has always meant subsequent suffering, will think this a strong statement. It is a fact, however, that most people can, without fear of distressing consequences, indulge the appetite within reason if the bowels are active and regular.

Heavy dinners and late suppers can be enjoyed with impunity if, before retiring, one will take a spoonful of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, a mild combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that digests the food for fifty cents a bottle. Gentle in action and positive in effect, it regulates the bowels in an easy, natural way, without gripping or other discomfort, and is the ideal family laxative. Get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin from your druggist and keep it in the house. Use it occasionally and you will find you can eat almost anything you like without fear of consequences. A trial bottle can be obtained free of charge by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 1116 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.

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