

ACCIDENTAL DEATH CORONERS VERDICT; IN EATON MISHAP

EATON, O. Nov. 10.—Arrangements for the funeral of Everett Emerick, 16, who was killed Tuesday morning when caught in an embankment cave-in at a gravel pit of the Eaton Cement Tile company, had not been fully completed Wednesday, but it is probable it will take place Thursday afternoon.

Young Emerick was buried beneath about three feet of earth and was dead when rescuers reached the body. His neck was broken, according to the finding of coroner Treffinger, who viewed the body and then turned it over to Undertaker L. P. Barnes. The coroner held that death was accidental.

Young Emerick's age is given as 16 in the coroner's report in the case. Officials of the tile company say the lad gave his age as 18 when he applied for work Friday and was given a place in the gravel pit.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Emerick, parents of the dead lad, removed to Eaton from the country a short time ago. The family resides at 710 East Somers street. Emerick, familiarly known as "Doc," is a carpenter.

Brothers Are Sentenced.
Frank and Roy O'Dell, brothers, living near Eaton, and their cousin, Walter O'Dell, of near Camden, after trial Tuesday before Judge A. C. Risinger in common pleas court on a charge of burglary and larceny, were each sentenced to 15 months in the state reformatory at Mansfield and Frank was given a suspended sentence to the same institution.

The trio was charged with breaking into the local grocery store of H. McNeal and Son and stealing about \$8 in money.

Thompson Given New Chance.
In a juvenile court case against John Thompson, local young man, Judge A. C. Risinger disposed of the case Tuesday by releasing Thompson upon condition that he conduct himself properly in the future. The case was left on the open docket. The case involved two young girls, one of whom Thompson married recently.

Poffenberger Fined.
Henry Poffenberger, 17, country youth, was fined \$5 and costs by Mayor H. L. Risinger in police court for operating an automobile upon the streets here with the cut-out open, in violation of a city ordinance.

Start Drive Thursday.
Beginning Thursday—Armistice day—the Preble County Red Cross chapter, in common with other Red Cross organizations throughout the country, will inaugurate its fourth annual membership drive. The county's quota is 3,000.

The several branches making up the county chapter will conduct the drive in their respective territories. The Eaton chapter's campaign will be carried on by the Psi Iota Xi sorority girls, with a house-to-house canvass.

No Program at Eaton.
No arrangements have been made for special observance of Armistice day in Eaton, Thursday. It is expected there will be a very generous display of the American colors.

SOCIALISTS, LIBERALS CLASHING IN MEXICO

(By Associated Press)
MEXICO CITY, Nov. 10.—Frequent armed conflicts resulting in numerous deaths are occurring between Socialists and liberals in Yucatan, and despatches from Merida declare the seriousness of the situation which developed last week continues. After receiving a detailed report of disorders from General Mance, commander of federal troops in Yucatan, Minister of War Calles ordered "all necessary measures to be taken to give security to all the inhabitants of the disturbed area. General Calles directed that all members of political parties be disarmed."

General Mance declared he had been told by a group of men who had been captured carrying rifles and bombs that Socialists and Liberals engaged in a battle last Friday at the village of Tecanto. The Socialists were entrenched behind hemp bulwarks, which they had thrown against all roads leading to the village, it was asserted.

Europeans Criticize System
Of Athletic Training Here
(By Associated Press)
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 10.—The American system of athletic training which culminated in many victories at the Antwerp Olympic games, is now being subjected throughout Europe to a great deal of criticism, favorable and unfavorable. While, as an example, there are some members of the Dutch Olympic committee who concede Holland should adopt American methods in its universities and athletic clubs, others charge that such long intensive training makes the athletes professional amateurs.

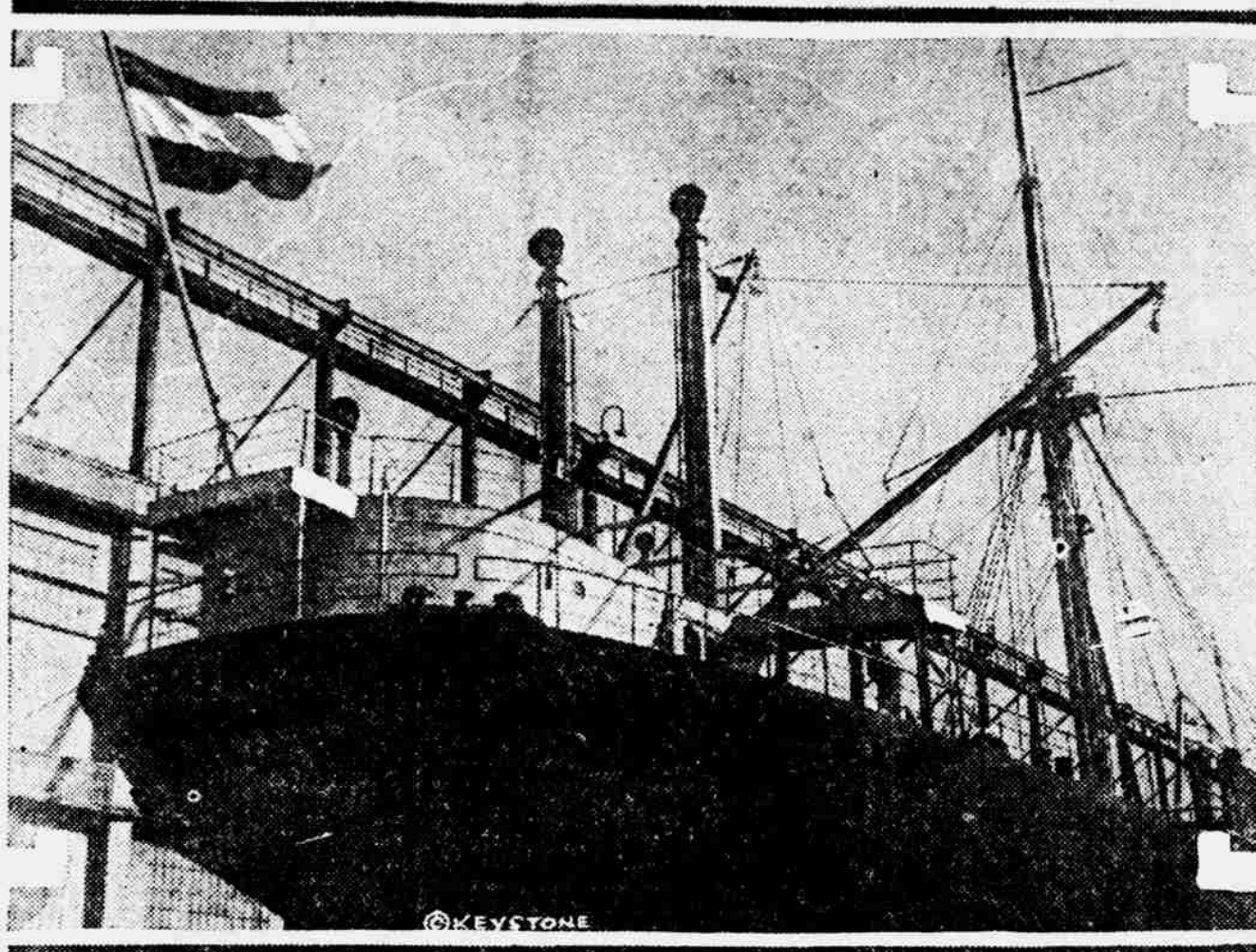
At a recent meeting of the committee, one speaker went so far as to question the amateur standing of the American navy crew which won the Olympic eight regatta. He said that these future American navy officers had done nothing during their four years at Annapolis, but now Europeans find it difficult to understand that American university men can devote so much time to sports, and still find time for study.

Everett Emerick, of Eaton,
Killed by Gravel Slide
EATON, O. Nov. 10.—Everett Emerick, age 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Emerick, was killed when a gravel bank caved in at the pit owned by the Eaton Cement Tile company caved in. The accident occurred at 8 a. m. Tuesday.

He is survived by his parents, a brother, Raymond, of Dayton, O., and a sister, Mrs. Harry Shaffer, living north of Eaton. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

COX TWINS NAMED
WARREN AND FLORENCE
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 10.—Twins, a boy and a girl, born to Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cox of Terre Haute were named Warren Harding Cox and Florence King Cox, it was announced yesterday. The father and mother are Republicans.

FIRST GERMAN MERCHANTMAN SINCE WAR REACHES U. S.



The German ship, "Sophie Rickmer," at the pier in Brooklyn. The first German merchantman sent to the U. S. since the end of the World war, docked at a Brooklyn pier recently. Ex-service men from the German forces formed the greater portion of the crew. American ex-service men on shore became incensed at the display of the German flag over the boat. It was hauled down at sunset and not hoisted again.

What the American Soldier Sees on Returning to France

By EDWARD A. RUHEEL

The soldier returning to the battlefields of France after two stirring and eventful years is likely to attach far too great a significance to the apparent stagnation, the lifelessness, that seems part of the very atmosphere today of those scenes of terrific struggle. Reconstruction in a war-exhausted country is a painfully slow process, but rosy accounts of the forward strides that had been made, coupled with the naturally optimistic American frame of mind, were responsible for an absolute "about face" from preconceived notions to actuality.

Prepared for gardens and miraculously green fields, the desolation that persists is tragic. Men still busy after two years in searching for and exploding shells give the impression of unnecessary delay in vital work, but after a while the various details piece together properly. The length of the struggle, the draining of lifeblood, the insecurity of the financial structure, the persisting fear, are all factors in the result, and gradually one sees that the steps made, while slow, are forward steps, and the halting progress is real.

Champagne Battlefields.
The Champagne battlefields, by reason of their nearness to Paris, their strategic importance, and the intensity of the fighting, may well serve the visitor as an epitome of the war. Likewise the extent of reconstruction there is a good index or average for the whole country. Up north in the former British sectors, and in the industrial region, for various reasons progress is a good deal more rapid. In parts of the Argonne and other sections it is slower. Then, too, the Champagne front has as its focal point, Rheims and its cathedral, the focus of probably more American attention than any other until American boys went overseas and fought in their own sectors.

Just a few miles from Rheims the churned up battle area begins. In the distance one sees the low flat hills occupied by the Germans for more than three years, then taken by the French, abandoned, reconquered and so on until the final. Far as the eye can see, the white or green-tinted fields, here and there the skeleton of a tree, the steel bones of an abandoned tank, jungles of barbed wire, the snaky mazes of trenches—that is the panorama. Now and again a low, improvised shack with a garden patch which looks strangely out of place amid the desolation—that is all the relief to that endless stretch of ruin which extends practically all the way from Fort de la Pompelle to the Soissons and beyond. In this region are the Chemin des Dames, Nogent l'Abbesse, the heights of Cornillet and other famed battlegrounds, but even the heights seem to have been humbled into the dust by the fury of high explosives.

Rehabilitation Starts
That is the broad view—starkly naked fields, wearying the eye in their monotony, over which the imagination readily sees the tragedy enacted again and seems even to see the spirits of the thousands that gave their lives there and whose bodies are buried in the little cemeteries along the roads. Gone are the woods that crowned the hills in the happy days before the war, and vanished the vineyards that covered much of the land. For just as nature abhors a vacuum, so nature seems to loathe utter desolation, and along those same roads, usually not far from the cemeteries, the signs of the rehabilitation may be seen.

In this region there were no poplars to flaunt a bit of color against a

somber background, although further north their bright scarlet was still visible. But wherever a Frenchman lives he plants flowers, and the geraniums and nasturtiums before the doors of the homes he constructed with abandoned war material mean that he has lost neither his spirit nor his love for beauty and it augurs well for the future.

Barracks Timbers to Build Homes.
Small patches which were not so roughly used as the great fields have drawn a considerable number of the original inhabitants back to their native soil. Sometimes an abandoned railroad carriage, rolled into the field, provides a home for a family. In comparison with other homes—structures of rough timbers roofed with sections of corrugated culvert walling—these carriage homes are palatial. Nearer the city a few feeble attempts to build have been made. Then, too, the abandoned barracks of the soldiery, most of them of sectional construction, have provided building material for new homes.

The city of it all is that this effort is so widely at variance with the traditions of France. The meanest dwellings had always been constructed for permanence, proclaiming to the world that their possessor loved the earth that gave him his bread, and that he was building not a mere house but a home. These battlefield dwellings are just the reverse—so light and flimsy they are that a heavy storm might demolish them.

The inhabitants get their living today in various ways. Many of them are engaged in the apparently never-ending task of clearing the fields, rolling up the tons of iron debris and searching out the loaded grenades and shells that are still perilous. Near the cemeteries are others who make the fantastic head crosses and flowers with which the French ornament the graves of dear ones. Still others gather and sell souvenirs to tourists.

Near Pompelle, the oft-taken fort that was one of the chief defenses of Rheims, lives a worthy pastor, a true representative of militant Christianity. He had no church but a cathedral vault sky by the saint's rectory but a hotel made by his own hands, its

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town hall is in use, there are banks and shops and a determined effort is on to restore life to those streets of the dead.

TOWN HALL CROWDED FOR FARM GATHERING

The farmers' meeting at Centerville on Tuesday night seemed very much like a large family gathering. The town hall overflowed with friends and neighbors from all parts of the township, and the mothers and children were much in evidence.

The occasion was the annual meeting for the election of officers, to listen to reports, and next to have a good time in general. Rev. J. J. Rae, of Richmond, was the speaker of the evening and was heard with marked attention. President Davis, of the Wayne federation, devoted a few minutes to what the federation has already accomplished, and J. L. Dolan, county agent, gave a few reasons for the need of such an organization, and why every farmer should become identified with it.

Official Board
President Gaar, Ellason was re-elected and James F. Harris, vice president, and B. C. Gaier, secretary, treasurer, will also continue to hold office during 1921. Charles Neff and Ernest Tramps were the two holdover directors, and John Medearis, Harry Smith and Fred Staats, were also elected to the board. Ice cream and cake was served in generous portions and many new members were present to enjoy the occasion.

SHIPPING BOARD SELLS
\$15,000,000 EXCESS STOCK
WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Sale of the shipping board's surplus materials on the Pacific coast, estimated to be worth \$15,000,000, to the Barde Bros. of New York, was announced Monday by Chairman Benson. Under the contract, he said, the board is guaranteed 50 per cent of the appraised value of the materials which must be sold by the Barde Bros. within one year; Barde Bros. are to get returns in excess of 50 per cent appraised value up to 60 per cent and all returns above 60 per cent are to be divided, 75 per cent to the board and 25 per cent to Barde Bros. A bond for \$1,000,000 was deposited by the purchaser.

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An effort to secure motion picture firms to film the Armistice Day parade will be made by the club. A committee to communicate with them was appointed and began work last night.

Ray Weisbrod, treasurer, impressed upon the members of the club the importance of paying dues immediately. Checks should be made payable to the club and mailed to the treasurer. Several committee reports were made.

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HONOR DAVID LUBIN BY MARBLE TABLET

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ROME, Nov. 10.—Plans for the placing of a marble tablet in the international institute of agriculture building here in memory of David Lubin, founder of the institute, were approved at Tuesday's session of the General Assembly of the institute. Associated with Mr. Lubin was the King of Italy and in speaking on the subject today, the president declared that "coupled together the sovereign will, the Israelite of modest origin, who through strength, faith and work rose to a high position."

Thomas F. Hunt, American delegate expressed thanks for the honor given Mr. Lubin.

Raoul Bio-Branco of Brazil was elected vice president of the assembly and I. M. Masterbrook, head of the statistical service in Washington was appointed head of one commission.

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advantageous offers and the board than adopted the present plan.

The Home Garden

It is well to protect the strawberry beds with manure that contains considerable straw. Leaves or corn stalks may be used for the same purpose.

Examine all trees carefully for caterpillar nests or egg masses of any kind. If any are found, cut the limb off or destroy the insects or eggs.

Top dress the lawns with half-rotted manure. Allow it to remain until spring.

It might be interesting to plant a few sweet peas this month and watch results next spring. Cover them with six inches of good soil.

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