

TEACHING BABY CONSERVATION TO THE FRENCH

AMERICAN EXPERTS TO HELP NATION CONSERVE SUPPLY OF INFANTS.

DEATH RATE GREATER THAN BRITISH RATE

Trench Warfare Causes Widespread Tubercular Infection Which Causes Mortality.

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(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—American baby experts have gone to France to help that nation conserve and increase its supply of infants, depleted and retarded by the war.

Last year France's death rate was more than twenty of every thousand persons, not counting men killed by the war. Only eight babies were born to every thousand persons. At that rate, the civilian population of France is falling 788,000 a year.

Compared with this, in New York state last year 23 babies were born to every 1,000 persons, while only 14 of every 1,000 persons died.

The chief cause of this infant and adult mortality, the Red Cross said, is widespread tubercular infection which is threatening the population of France as a result of trench warfare.

Rates Equal Before War.
Before the war France's birth and death rates were about equal. But in Paris, where 48,917 babies were born in 1914, only 26,179 were born in the second year of the war, ending August 1, 1916.

The American experts were sent under the leadership of Dr. William P. Lucas of the University of California, originator of the "save a baby" movement. They followed urgent cables from Major Grayson, M. P. Murphy, head of the Red Cross Commission in France.

"There is crying need for effective work among children," said Major Murphy.
The Americans will work without compensation. Other units will follow. They will carry on a general educational campaign among French mothers in parental hygiene and scientific feeding and care of babies. Special efforts will be made to protect children from tubercular infection.

With Dr. Lucas in the first unit are: Dr. J. Morris Slemmons of Yale, Dr. Julius Parker Sedgewick of Minnesota university, Dr. John C. Baldwin, child specialist, Dr. Clain F. Gelston, Dr. Lucas's assistant, Dr. N. O. Pearce and experts in child welfare, Mrs. J. Morris Slemmons, Mrs. William P. Lucas, Miss Elizabeth Ashe, and Miss Rosamond Gilder, daughter of the poet. Mrs. William Lowell Putnam of Boston finances the unit.

Mrs. E. G. Lovely Dies of Apoplexy

Mrs. E. G. Lovely of La Grande died of apoplexy at her home in Sugar Addition at 9 o'clock last night.
Mrs. Lovely had been subject to apoplexy for the past three years, but was apparently alright yesterday. About 9 o'clock she was taken with a fit of coughing, which became serious, and a physician was called. Nothing could be done for her, and she died in about twenty minutes.

Mrs. Lovely was 44 years of age. She leaves her husband and seven children: Thomas, Bertha, Harlen, Herbert, Fred, Frank and Walter; her mother, Mrs. Julia De Fries; two brothers, Frank De Fries of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and John De Fries of New Mexico, with the United States army, and nine sisters.
The funeral will be held from the Holmenkamp chapel tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be made at the Odd Fellows cemetery.

U. S. Will Advance Farmers 90 Per Cent On Their Wheat

PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—Grain dealers announced that the government has advanced their money so they can pay the farmers ninety per cent of the full price for their wheat crop. Ten per cent, or the balance, will be paid when the government inspectors grade the wheat.

DONATIONS ARE GIVEN RED CROSS

SOLICITORS REPORT GOOD RESULTS.

Livestock, Geese, Silk Handkerchiefs and Spuds are to be Auctioned Off.

Motley mixtures of donations are coming forward with fine spirit to solicitors for the chimarita to be held next week for the Red Cross. Solicitors in the country are working but have not made their report up to date, but from all appearances there will be a grand array of things to sell when the auctioneers commence their crying on the two evenings of the big show. People are generous in their giving, and the nature of the gifts is almost as varied and of as wide a range as the givers. Live geese and silk handkerchiefs, cut glassware and ordinary spuds are illustrative of the nature of the things given.

But there is only a fraction of the needed goods at hand. Solicitors expect to add about ten times as much as they now have so that when the goods are auctioned off at the Chimarita the net returns to the Red Cross will be measured in thousands, and not hundreds.

Mrs. Roscoe Neal, in charge of much of the arrangements, reports a splendid interest.

The parade details, the dinner arrangements, for which many articles of food have already been subscribed, and, in fact, every thing connected with the big show are coming forward in nice shape.

Indicative of the kinds of gifts made for the auction, is the following list which covers a part of the business houses:

Hug's Grocery—2 1/2 lbs. coffee.
Pattison Bros.—2 lbs. coffee.
Krause Meat Market—1 chicken.
Pearce's Jewelry Store—1 Cut Glass Vase.
Grande Ronde Meat Co.—2 cans dill pickles.
Mammoth Grocery—1 lb. coffee.
Snoothgrass Grocery—10 lbs. coffee.

Birnie Jewelry Store—1 hand painted plate.
Harris Art Store—crockery center piece.
White Candy Kitchen—1 box of candy.

Golden Rule Co.—baby clothes.
Casey, W. H.—grab bag articles.
Van Buren, J.—box Gatos.
French, L. J.—1 pair silk hose.
Walling, Miss—1 hat.
Blackman, Miss—1 hat.
Cherry, A. B.—3 jars cherries.
West, N. K., & Co.—1 box handkerchiefs.

Roesch, J.—1 case "Let'er Buck."
Hackman's Cigar Store—1 box cigars.
Hamilton's Garage—1 spot light.
Valley Creamery—Gallon half cream and four pounds butter.
Duttl, Fred—All brown and rye bread for dinner.
Stillwell's Meat Market—1 live goose.

Herrmann, A. J.—6 packages cigarettes.
Grande Ronde Lumber Co.—1 load slab wood.
Hamilton, W. D.—2 sacks potatoes.

La Grande Fruit Co.—1 box apples, 1 sack potatoes.
Noble & Smith Fruit Co.—1 crate pumpkins, 1 sack cabbage.
Sawyer-Holmes—1 sack oats.
Oregon Grocery—12 lbs. walnuts, 1 doz. cans salmon.

La Grande Grocery—32 tins Peak brand asparagus tips. Will donate a Preferred Stock booth, value \$20.
La Grande Flouring Mill—3 sacks of flour.
Pioneer Flouring Mill—3 sacks of flour.

Mrs. Mossman—1 hand made luncheon set.
Mrs. Wm. Ash—1 cake.

British Pierce Hindenburgs Famous Line

By William Philip Simms.
WITH THE BRITISH BEYOND THE HINDENBURG LINE, Nov. 22.—British troops penetrated at some points eight miles beyond the old Hindenburg line this afternoon. It is estimated the number of German prisoners passed ten thousand.
Seven German counter-attacks failed to stop the British advance.
The German efforts were weak.
All German defensive moves failed miserably.
German casualties are heavy.

Harrisburg—After ten years of agitation, old ferry here may give place to bridge across the Willamette next year.

Motley mixtures of donations are sure of the things given.

TROTSKY ASKS ALLIES TO REVISE WAR AIMS

BOLSHEVIKI LEADER AND FOREIGN MINISTER SENDS THREATENING MESSAGE.

RUSSIANS MAY CONSIDER A SEPARATE PEACE

If Request is Unanswered Action May Be Taken Leading to Desertion of Allies, Declares Cable.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 22.—Foreign Minister Trotsky, the Russian Bolshevik leader, asked all the allies to revise their war aims, threatening, if the request is unanswered, the Bolsheviks will consider a separate peace justified, declared a Pamparanda message.

LENINE IS A GERMAN SPY
Bolshevik Leader Was Sent to Russia By Spy System.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—The French government has absolute proof that the German spy system sent Lenin, the Bolshevik leader, to Russia, it is announced, following receipt of the news that the Bolsheviks proposed an immediate armistice.

GENERAL IS DISCHARGED
Directed to Negotiate Armistice, Dakhonon Refuses.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 22.—The people's commissaries directed General Dakhonon, Bolshevik commander-in-chief, to negotiate an armistice. General Dakhonon refused to obey and was thereupon summarily deposed.

Ensign Krylenko was named as his successor.
A majority of the government employees refused to work under the Maximists, declaring their improper governing forces.

The battle line dispatches declare the twelfth Russian army is near starvation. Trouble in predicted unless transportation difficulties are overcome immediately.

Lenine proclaimed that all power was vested in various local workers' and soldiers' councils.

AMERICA SENDS SUPPLIES.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—American supplies moving to Russia will not be halted, the war trade board has announced.

Americans Leaving Russia.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Americans are leaving Russia. Eighty-five left Petrograd over the Siberian railway, so Ambassador Francis cabled the state department.

COUNCIL ADOPTS BUDGET FOR 1918

AMOUNT REDUCED; ALSO INCLUDES APPROPRIATION.

Provides for \$8,000 to be Used to Redeem Warrants.

La Grande's budget for 1918 was adopted by the city commission at their meeting last night. The budget, including a \$6,000 appropriation to redeem warrants, amounts to \$78,200 as against \$80,700 for 1917.

On the basis of ten months known expenses and two months estimated expenses the commission estimates that \$15,934 of last year's budget will be unused.

The estimated income of the city is \$28,450 which leaves \$49,750 to be raised by taxation or reduced to a millage basis, 13.4.

An ordinance for establishing the grade over the viaduct came up for the first reading.

A petition for a sidewalk on Main and Walnut streets was granted and the sidewalk ordered.

Railroad Chiefs Meet President

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The four railway brotherhood presidents, and Federal Mediators Chambers, Knapp, and President Wilson opened a conference this afternoon. An agreement guaranteeing no strikes during the war or virtual conscription of the railroad workers is expected to result from the meeting.

Germans Stir Up Trouble In Mexico

Official Statement Says, Germans Give Revolutionists Money.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—It is authoritatively stated that German money and intrigue are stirring Mexican trouble anew.

Hundreds of German agents and large sums of German money are responsible for Villa, Zapata, Palencas and Diaz activities.
Authorities fear that the output of the Tampico and Tuxpan oil fields may be curtailed.

ARMY OFFICERS AND MEN NOT TO VISIT SEATTLE.
CAMP LEWIS, Nov. 22.—Major General Greene, commanding Camp Lewis, has issued general orders forbidding officers and men to visit Seattle except on special permission. This action was taken because Seattle has failed to comply satisfactorily with the army's clean-up demands.

ITALIAN LINE NOW HOLDING THE GERMANS

REPULSE OF ENEMY ATTACKS IS OFFICIALLY REPORTED

TEUTONIC ASSAULTS ARE FRUITLESS

Every Inch of the Italian Line Now Holds Firmly—Seven Desperate Attacks Repulsed.

ROME, Nov. 22.—The bloody repulse of the enemy attacks around San Marino is officially reported. Teutonic assaults around Monte Pertica were fruitless.

Seven desperate attacks between Benta and Piave were similarly successful.

Every inch of the Italian line holds firmly, despite the enemy's strongest efforts.

Italiana pierced dykes at Bowegrove and flooded much enemy ground.

GERMANS CLAIM TWO VICTORIES IN ITALY.

BERLIN, Nov. 22.—The assaults of Monte Fontana, and Monte Spina, between Benta and the Piave rivers have been captured it is officially announced.

PENNSYLVANIA WELFARE AND EFFICIENCY CONFERENCE

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 21.—Seeking further reduction of accident in order to preserve man-power, the fifth annual Pennsylvania Welfare and Efficiency Conference was opened at the capital today. Employers and employees from various parts of the state are participating.

Will Speak On Fire Prevention

"Fires, how they start and how they can be prevented," will be the subject of the talk given by Harvey Wells, State Insurance Commissioner, at the Arcade theatre on Friday afternoon. His talk will be accompanied by films illustrating his points.

The entertainment will be free and the public is urged to take advantage of the opportunity to hear Mr. Wells on this important subject.

The school children will be escorted to the theatre in two divisions. There will be two shows, one at 2:30 and 3:30. Mr. Wells comes at the request of Fire Chief Mackey.

UNION DOUBLES WAR FUND QUOTA

TOTAL OF \$1,234.50 IN CASH COLLECTED; MORE COMING.

After Slow Start Community Digs in and Makes Envyable Record.

The city of Union is out after Y. M. C. A. glories herself. Allice, which leads the nation for per capita giving, has a rival in many respects at Union. W. T. Wright, manager of the eight teams which worked in Union during last week, has made a semi-complete report of the work done in Union and Hot Lake, which was also in Union territory.

A grand total of \$1,234.50—in cash, if you please—was subscribed. There are several cards out yet to hear from, and their total may come up more still.

The Union quota was \$600.00, and, having raised more than \$1,200 she has thus more than doubled her quota, and in coin of the realm, not pledges. When the good news reached General Manager Kiddle and "His Nibs" King last evening there was general rejoicing, for, if the facts were made known, Union was a trifle slow in getting up steam at the start.

Mr. Wright caught the fever, however, at a boost dinner the time the drive opened, and he inoculated this virile toxin into the men of Union who immediately formed eight teams with the remarkable results noted, and few towns in the state with as many people as Union, have doubled their quotas.

"A magnificent showing," say all. Hot Lake subscribed \$50.00 to the cause.

EVERYBODY'S DOIN' IT NOW.
From Bank Presidents to Clerks, Men Are Knitting For Soldiers.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 22.—"Say George, how the devil do you make this new stitch?" asked the proprietor of a store of his head clerk.

"Just a second, boss," replied the clerk. "I wanna finish this row."

Yes, the dear men here are knitting. Bank presidents, store keepers, lumber workers are making scarfs and sweaters for soldiers and sailors.

Red Cross women here say the men can knit as neatly and as rapidly as women.

YOUNG BELGIAN OFFICER WANTS "WAR-GODMOTHER"

PARIS, Nov. 3. (By Mail)—"War-Godmothers" are always in demand. Often they are obtained through newspapers. Here are the qualifications (physical) which a young Belgian lieutenant considers essential for a mutual understanding:
Height, 5 ft. 10 ins.
Chest measurement, 50 ins.
Hips, 55 ins. Weight 220 lbs.

Deputy Sheriff Is Killed In Portland

Receives Wound From Escaped Marine Who Is Also Killed.

PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—Chief deputy sheriff Bob Phillips died this morning from bullet wounds received last night when he tried to arrest Louis Hayes, an escaped marine from the state hospital.

After an all-night chase the posse cornered Hayes this morning in the basement of a vacant house and killed him.

BRITISH POUR FIRE IN TO CAMBRAI

Haig Is Now Less Than Three Miles From City

GERMAN SUPPLY DEPOT AND CENTER OF COMMUNICATION SYSTEM THREATENED

GREAT VICTORY IS NEAR

BRITISH TROOPS WITHIN REACH OF RAILWAY STATION

Britain is Celebrating Event as Great War Stroke—Villages are Captured—Many German Prisoners Taken.

(United Press.)
LONDON, Nov. 22.—The British opened fire on Cambrai, the German communication center, and chief supply depot, capture of which will make the German communication system useless.

The British are within two and three-quarters miles of Cambrai, General Haig reported.

Battle front dispatches declared the British are almost within reach of the Cambrai railway station.

The British have captured Fontaine, Notre Dame village and took additional Germans, Haig reported.

All Britain celebrated. The victory is considered one of the war's greatest strokes.

EXTEND THE BARRED ZONES
Germans Will Sink Ships in Greek and Azores Waters.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 22.—Berlin dispatches announced the Germans have extended the barred zones to include Greek waters and the Azores.

French Hold Their Ground
PARIS, Nov. 22.—The French successfully held their ground gained yesterday, it is announced in an official statement.
Strong German positions are isolated. All objectives were attained.

The Weather
PORTLAND, Nov. 22.—The U. S. weather forecast: Fair.

Provost General Sits On Ban Johnson

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Ban Johnson's suggestion that major league baseball players be exempted is extremely unpopular around the Provost Marshal General's office. Crowder considers the proposal at the worst kind of a precedent.

O. W. Machinists, Boilermakers And Blacksmiths Give Observer's Tobacco Fund a Big Boost

The employees in the machine, boiler and blacksmith shops of the O. W. yards of La Grande gave the Observer Tobacco Fund a big boost yesterday when they took up a collection of \$25.50 for the front line front. The machinists, boiler makers and blacksmiths like to take a smoke once in a while themselves and they felt like sending a little Christmas present to the soldier boys. The fund now stands:

Previously reported	Money donated by the employees in the machine, boiler and blacksmith shops, La Grande, by the following:
Vand Huntly	50
A. E. Austin	50
Sheffield	50
Jim Ainsworth	50
F. G. Beldin	25
Andy Anderson	50
C. J. Richards	50
J. J. Link	25
Ray Swan	25
Tom Wilson	50
J. Dorson	25
A. A. Cook	25
Otto Gerber	1.00
O. Lovinz	50
A. Swytobon	25
A. Martin	25
C. A. Canada	25
Geo. Maier	50

J. H. Day	50
E. T. Ellsworth	25
F. E. Rohan	25
P. F. Greening	25
J. Redenauer	25
R. M. Holman	50
Vern Ainsworth	25
Michel Dana	25
W. A. Strandfield	50
B. V. Johnson	25
E. Johnson	1.00
R. P. Wells	1.00
C. W. Cook	1.00
Irvin Wilson	50
Lord Kindred	1.25
C. Shilling	50
Fred Huntley	25
J. Chapman	25
A. Price	50
Frank Turner	1.25
Paul Loman	1.00
R. H. Cude	50
Earl Wilson	50
Melvin Hamlin	1.00
E. D. Graves	50
J. M. Fleischman	25
M. Anderson	50
W. J. Robins	50
R. E. Trill	25
F. Davis	1.00
C. R. Johnson	50
J. H. Tracey	25
Leon Moon	25
W. D. Long	25

Grand Total\$46.50

