

DOING MUCH TO RESTORE FRANCE

Americans Are Doing Wonderful Reconstruction in Devastated Section.

LIVE IN RUDE BARRACKS

Miss Anne Morgan and Her Co-Workers Share in Primitive Life While Carrying on Labors Among Destitute People.

New York.—Miss Margaret Stevenson, co-worker of Miss Anne Morgan in devastated France, has just arrived in this country with the first direct news of the reconstruction work already accomplished by the American Fund for French Wounded unit composed of ten American women.

Live in Rude Barracks.

"We are living in rude wooden barracks built on the ruins of the old Chateau of Blerecourt," said Miss Stevenson. "Our barracks are furnished with the same unpolished furniture and plain iron beds that we give to the peasants. The heads of our unit, Miss Anne Morgan and Miss Anne Drake, share with us in this primitive life.

unit in charge of the Aisne and Somme districts, both of which were systematically devastated by the Germans. "Our unit is militarized and works directly under the French army," Miss Stevenson explained. "Through the military authorities, Miss Morgan has obtained valuable aid. Soldiers on eight-day leave from the trenches are put, under her direction, to help rebuild shattered homes and plow the neglected fields. There are no able-bodied men or women left in this part of France. When the Germans retreated they swept the civilians before them. All who were able to work for them they kept behind their lines; the non-producers—that is, the feeble old people and the small children—they have allowed to return. These are the refugees, the people we have to help make homes for and make self-supporting."

Wonderful People.

"They are wonderful too, these old people," Miss Stevenson went on. "They return to their destroyed homes worn out with suffering and hardships, but no sooner are they on their beloved soil again than they seem revitalized, filled with energy, and the desire to restore all that has been destroyed. They build one-room shelters for themselves from the ruins of their once comfortable homes or else their government puts up small demountable wooden houses for them. These we furnish with everything they need to start home life anew—beds, bedding, chairs, kitchen utensils, and we supply them with clothing and foodstuffs. Everything that is sent to us from America we give them without cost, but the stoves and kitchen utensils that we buy in Paris we sell for two-thirds the cost. They prefer to have it so, and they pay any way they choose—in work or vegetables. The first thing they do when they reach their homes is to start a garden, and many of them have been able to support themselves in this way. Others make their living by washing for the soldiers. These are all very old people, remember, aged men and women of seventy-five and even eighty. They walk from villages miles away to get help from us, and they wheel great loads of supplies on wheelbarrows some eight or ten miles over cobble roads.

"These old people who have worked hard and cleared themselves all their lives so they would have a competency in their old age have to begin life again with nothing but their stiff old hands and their courageous hearts. They all regret now that they didn't have a little more fun out of life when they were younger; that they had not put off ease and comfort until their old age. But they do not complain; they just die and work harder than ever to make a home for the sons and daughters who may come back at the end of the war, or at least for the grandchildren."

HER SUMMER HOME IS WAR HOSPITAL



Lady Alexandra

A new portrait of Lady Alexandra, one of England's most beautiful noblewomen, who is in charge of the hospital in Sussex into which her summer home has been converted. Her husband is a captain at the front.

HEIRLOOM IS LOST

Dog Came Back, but He Did Not Have the Necklace.

Caroline Ruben, the little daughter of I. H. Ruben of Minneapolis, was sitting in her father's automobile on Nicolet avenue. Her pet fox terrier, Tug, was with her.

The little girl was wearing a necklace that had belonged to her great-grandmother. Just for fun she took it off and put it around Tug's neck.

Just by chance Tug saw a dog he didn't like and jumped out of the car and chased it. Tug came back in a few minutes, but the necklace did not.

WHEATLESS BISCUITS.



Parched cornmeal is the feature of these excellent wheatless biscuits. First, the cornmeal—one-half a cup—is put in a shallow pan placed in the oven and stirred frequently until it is a delicate brown. The other ingredients are a teaspoon of salt, a cup of peanut butter and one and a half cups of water. Mix the peanut butter, water and salt and heat. While this mixture is hot stir in the meal which should also be hot. Beat thoroughly. The dough should be of such consistency that it can be dropped from a spoon. Bake in small cakes in an ungreased pan. This makes 10 biscuits, each of which contains one-sixth of an ounce of protein.

COSSACK CAP FOR SKATERS



Here is the smartest of smart fur skating caps, fitting well down over the head and hair, and with a most distracting tilt to enhance the charm of its softness. It is built on the same lines as the Russian Cossack cap, is made of beaver, and ornamented with a flat silk braid buckle and a corporal's guard of buttons.

Vale—Malheur county's \$20,000 jail completed.

Silverton—Lais sawmill sold to St. Croix Lumber Co. Operation to commence soon.

Croup at Midnight; Well in Morning. "A few nights ago one of my patrons had a small child taken with croup about midnight," writes M. T. Davis, Bearsville, W. Va. "They came to my store and got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar. Before morning the child was entirely recovered. The father's name is C. C. Craven." Isn't it unwise to experiment with unknown cough medicines when you can get the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar? Best for coughs, colds, croup and lagrippe. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Field Glasses, Etc. Those having field glasses, telescopes, etc., that they will lend or sell to the U. S. government, please call Walter Parker. 1-29-18.

St. Peter's Auxiliary St. Peter's Auxiliary to the Red Cross will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Gaskell on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Card of Thanks. Mrs. Fitzgerald and family wish to express their thanks for the many expressions of sympathy and hope extended to them. Also to the Army and Navy Auxiliary for their beautiful blossoms and words of comfort. We have heard nothing further as yet from Creighton. Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. McMillan was the Lieutenant-Colonel of his battalion and he assured us he would find out the particulars of Creighton's disappearance if possible. We will let the public know through the papers.

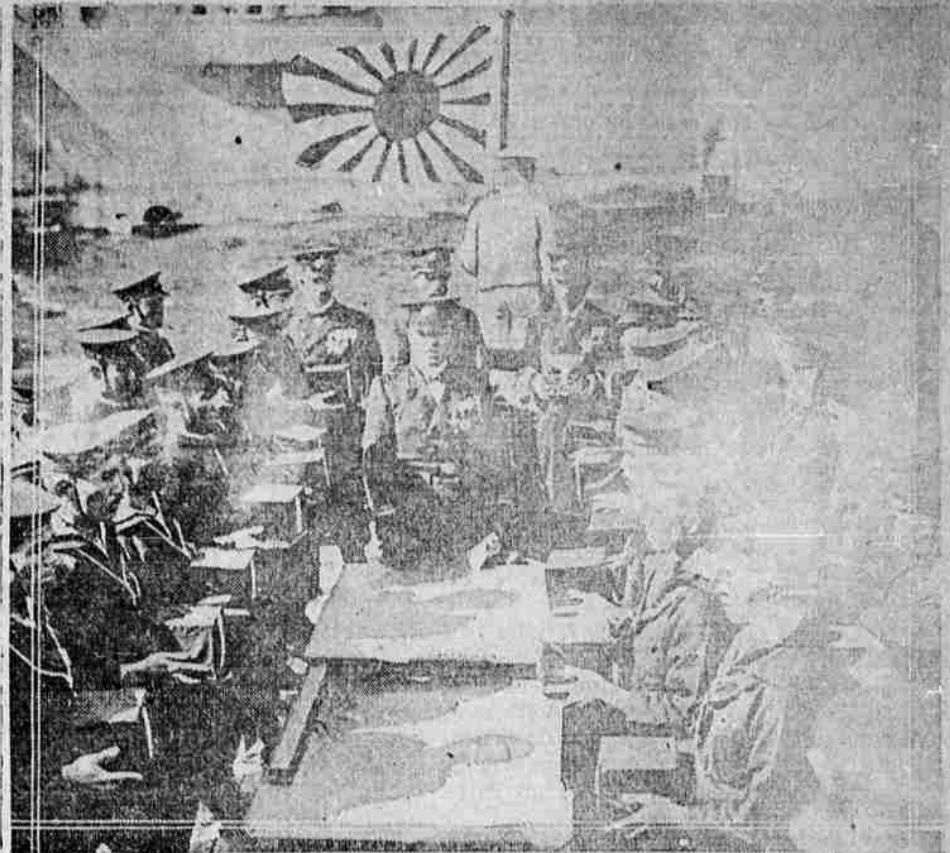
MRS. FITZGERALD AND FAMILY.

Dance Postponed The dance complimentary to Miss Grady and Miss Galling has been postponed to Wednesday, February 6.

Notice to Ticket Holders Attention of those who purchased Honor Guard show tickets recently is called to the fact that the date of the show has been changed from Wednesday evening to this evening. 1-29-18

M. E. Ladies' Aid The M. E. Ladies' Aid will hold a social meeting Wednesday afternoon

JAPAN'S DEAD RETURNED IN URNS



The bodies of the Japanese officers and sailors who fell in the destroyer action in the Mediterranean in June last, were cremated and the remains were taken to Japan. The photo shows sailors bearing urns, in which repose the sacred ashes of their country's martyrs, on board a destroyer in a Japanese port.

at the home of Mrs. A. W. Lefell, 900 Main street. 1-29-18

Notice to Moose.

All members of the L. O. O. M., No. 850, are requested to be present on Wednesday evening at 7:30. A social session will be held. All Moose and their friends invited. 1-28-21.

Attention Odd Fellows.

A special meeting of La Grande Lodge No. 16, is called for Wednesday evening, January 30, 1918, for work in the third degree. All Odd Fellows are invited to attend at 7:30 sharp.

By order lodge, W. A. WORSTELL, Secretary. 1-28-21.

Funeral Notice.

The funeral of the late William McCall, born Dec. 26, 1847, who lived three miles northeast of La Grande, who died Sunday, Jan. 27, will be held at the family home Tuesday, January 29, at 11 a. m. Interment will be in the Odd Fellows cemetery. Rev. George H. Pesse will officiate. 1-28-21.

Rummage Sale

A rummage sale will be held all day Friday, February 1, in the basement of the M. E. church. 1-29-21

Red Cross Buttons Arrive.

The long missing Red Cross buttons have arrived and anyone who hasn't received their button may obtain same by presenting a receipt or temporary paper button at Pattison Bros. Grocery store.

After the regular meeting of Crystal Rebekah Lodge, Tuesday night,

there will be a social and entertainment. Relatives and friends are invited. MATTIE GOLDEN, Sec'y.

Starting Monday, January 28,

we will close at 5:30 p. m. on Sundays and holidays at 12 o'clock noon. Heavily by bringing your own containers. We are obliged to charge for contain-

ers on sales under 20 cents. Blue Mountain Creamery. 1-26-21.

A Christmas package addressed to Jasper Perry, Camp Mills, has been returned. Sender please call at Newlin's Book Store. 1-28-21

"Efficiency Campaign" Postponed.

On account of the funeral services to be held at the Methodist church, Sunday, for Mrs. Hannah Rogers, the "efficiency campaign" that was to have taken place will be postponed to the following Sunday.

Y. M. C. A. Class to be completed

Class meets at 7:30 p. m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday nights, and on Saturdays. Six more students. Call at Y. M. C. A. building for particulars. Students placed in positions in cooperation with either railroad or Western Union positions. 1-29-21

For Meatless Day Try

P. S. MINCED CLAMS

They come from the clean, pure ocean sands, washed by the breakers of the mighty Pacific. They fairly smack of the salt sea.

1's Tall 20c a Can

Small Beets in Glass, exceptionally choice, 30c. Getting very fine, large Celery now at 2 for 25c. Lilly of the Valley, Golden Bantam Corn, 25c a can. Arriving daily, fresh Walla Walla Spinach. Buy a 25c can of Zip—it will clean your flue. Don't forget we get War Breads fresh every morning.

Imperial Valley Head Lettuce, 10c a head. Fresh Wisconsin Cream Brick Cheese. Thompson's Bleached Sultana Raisins in Bulk. Large, choice Italian Prunes, 15c a pound. Budded Walnuts are the finest grown.

RED CROSS BUTTONS HAVE ARRIVED. PLEASE BRING YOUR MEMBERSHIP RECEIPT.

PHONE MAIN 80

PATTISON BROTHERS, GROCERY

This is Our Winter of Test

SAFELY providing food is a local problem for each community. Prices and definite rules for every one cannot be formulated. It is a duty for each one to eat only so much as is necessary to maintain the human body neatly and strong. This winter of 1918 is the period when it is to be tested here in America whether our people are capable of voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world. That is the purpose of the organization of the United States Food Administration—by voluntary effort to provide the food that the world needs.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

Marshfield—S. P. Co. to establish an uptown depot. North Bend—Lane county expects to double road work for 1918.

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