

"DOGS OF WAR" A REALITY NOW

Contribute Useful Service on Western Battle Front.

CARRY ORDERS TO TROOPS

For Every Dog Who Dies on Field of Honor, France Considers It Has Saved the Life of a Soldier Messenger—Dogs Are Carefully Trained for Their Useful and Dangerous Duties.

The dog pounds of France are contributing an element to the deadly trench warfare that is old as conflict and, at the same time, modern in its conception and achievement.

Every dog pound in the republic is contributing every canine it picks up, and numerous breeding societies are furnishing regular quotas, but still dogs are needed to fill a very great and growing need.

So many diverse duties have been developed for dogs in this war that practically every canine, provided he is intelligent enough to be trained, can be utilized.

A dog kennel large enough for training hundreds of dogs is a regular part of the equipment of every French army now. It turns out trained animals for front service.

Originally dogs were used for just two purposes—carrying aid to the wounded and accompanying patrols to "scent out" the enemy.

But the highly specialized art of war today has resulted in amplification of these duties. Two of the most important roles now played by canines—"Liason" work and sentinal service—can be said to have attained supreme importance.

Play Useful Part.

"Liason" dogs have the most dangerous and the most useful parts to play. They carry messages between attacking troops and batteries to the rear, which shield the troops by barrage fire.

Many dogs who fall to show aptitude for "Liason" work develop into excellent sentinals. Those particularly fitted for this work take their place at the top of the trench alongside the gun barrel of every machine and detect every patrol or every individual soldier that attempts passage of the barbed wire entanglements ahead.

Dogs are still trained and used to carry aid to the wounded. One veteran—Dick—who has been officially decorated with the War Cross for bravery at Verdun, where his master was killed and the dog himself seriously wounded, has just gone back into active service, attached to a section of what was formerly the American ambulance.

Are Carefully Trained.

The dogs undergo first of all an examination before a special jury before being accepted. The dogs, when accepted, are placed in centers of instruction, preparation and training. There they are entrusted to experienced trainers who make them familiar with their position as soldiers, and courage, discipline, sangfroid, prudence and dispatch are taught them.

In the Vosges, in Lorraine and in Alsace the dogs often work with transport and carriage of provisions, harnessed to vehicles specially constructed for the purpose. The dogs like this work, which they carry out with rapidity and energy.

The dogs attached as guards to depots of arms and munitions are perfect and trustworthy guides, swift in attack and defense. As to rat catchers, these, like the sentinals, are the best friends of the Poilu, living with him, faithful, intelligent, affectionate companions, the soldier's true friend. Their watchfulness enables him to sleep.

Ambulance dogs are required to discover the wounded and to go and find the ambulances. The dogs carry to the latter the cap of the wounded man or some object indicating the unit to which he belonged. Other dogs, differently trained, call ambulances to the wounded by means of prearranged cries. All these dogs carry a little wallet containing a flask and various rough dressings for first aid. They are accustomed to cover all sorts of country, to clear all obstacles and to have no fear of cannon or shell fire.

They have proved themselves valuable since the declaration of war and for three years they have carried out their laborious and perilous work with the ambulances to which they are attached in the most heavily bombarded districts.

Dogs, as a rule, show great distress when shells burst near them and howl

Honor Guard Girls Entertain Big Audience at the Theatricals

The Honor Guard girls held the attention of an audience of little less than 500 people at the high school auditorium last night. The play was given for the benefit of the Armenian relief fund and with an admission of fifty cents each this will make quite a swelling in the fund to be turned in.

Outside of the play being a sort of a donation it certainly was worth the money to all who saw it. Mr. King gave a short talk at the beginning and announced the Red Cross concert to be held at the L. D. S. Tabernacle Monday evening, Feb. 4.

The orchestra selection was well played under the direction of Miss Gladys Black. The girls were all dressed in men's costumes. A rolling pin, a funnel, a teapot, an egg beater, a fire hose and a mule rack were the musical instruments with which the audience was fascinated.

Despite the instruments used the music that came from them would have done credit to many a professional orchestra. The members are Gladys Black, director, Lois Given, Irene O'Connell, Thelma Oesterling, Helen Sims, Stella Desilet, Jeanette Stoddard.

In the second play, "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," Naomi Williamson made a perfect Irish cook and managed to get everything twisted but which did not have the unhappy ending as it might have, as it was owing to her mistake that Ethelyn Fitzgerald, taking the part of Constance, the friend of Mrs. Oakley, was brought in touch with her old sweetheart from whom she had been separated owing to some misunderstanding.

pitcausly. On the other hand, they have been known to dash along the top of a trench during infantry fire, barking at the smoking muzzle, sharply examining puffs of dirt thrown up by enemy bullets and apparently enjoying the noise. Evidently there is some chemical exuded by exploding shells that peculiarly affects a dog.

Regimental mascots appear to have the best time, for they stay in billets, live on the fat of the land and are made much of by the local inhabitants. The pampered terrier of a certain famous regiment of foot guards sat on the top of a transport wagon at the tail of the battalion and barked at all the civilian dogs he passed.

BERLIN ORDERED THE SINKING OF LUSITANIA

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manac. And another grim bit of irony in it is that the last four words were taken from an advertisement of a well-known marine motor headed "The Seal of Safety at Sea."

Two words of the message are spelled out in German. They are "warn" which in English is "warn"; and "durch," which means "through." The word "Botschaft" is German for "Embassy."

The German Ambassador, immediately after the sinking of the Lusitania, declared that the advertisement he had published in the New York papers was inserted on his own responsibility and had no particular reference to the Lusitania. As printed, this advertisement mentioned no ship by name. But the cipher message now reveals the fact that he deliberately lied, and that Berlin directed the whole tragedy.

Incidentally, Mr. Rathorn's article adds that on the evening after the Lusitania was sunk, when friends of Von Bernstorff declared that he was overwhelmed with grief and secluded in his rooms in a New York hotel, he was in reality giving a dinner in the apartments of a friend in New York and there toasted the commander of Uboat which sank the liner.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Riveria Parent-Teachers. The Riviera Parent-Teachers Association will meet at the Riviera school Thursday at 2:00 o'clock. Miss May Murphy will talk on gardening.

Old Town Knitting Club. The Old Town Knitting Club will meet at Mrs. Frank Rockland's home 401 Fourth street at 2:00 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Miss May Murphy, Home Demonstration Agent will speak to the ladies for a few minutes on planning gardens, seeds, soil, etc.

Loyal Sisters. The loyal sisters of the Christian church will hold a social Friday evening at the Christian church. A good program and refreshments. 15c will be charged. 1-29-21.

A Christmas package addressed to Jasper Perry, Camp Mills, has been returned. Sender please call at Newlin's Book Store. 1-28-20wk2-1

Red Cross Benefit Concert. The date of the Red Cross benefit concert given by Mrs. A. J. Richardson and a group of visiting and local musicians is Monday evening, Feb. 4, at the L. D. S. Tabernacle. Tickets

Stella Desilet, taking the part of Emma, the maid, was an excellent laugh maker as a side comedy in her anxiety for her sweetheart, Olaf. Miss Leah Sanford took the part of Mrs. Oakley, a bride, very cleverly.

The "Honerfakubaltes," in which four girls, Lavina Walgamood, Violette Fitzgerald, Louise O'Connell and Lorene Smith originated some strikingly original limericks about the school teachers and business men of La Grande. The girls were costumed so as to appear about three feet tall and gave rather a grotesque appearance.

"A Laundry Queen," in which Miss Florence Lynch took the leading part as the work house girl, is an excellent portrayal of the inner life of an old fashioned laundry. Miss Lynch is chic and a charming comedienne. Audmer Playle was the handsome knight, for whom the work house girl had spent her nights dreaming. Carolyn Palmer, Helen Sims, Marcella Berry and Jeanette Stoddard comprised the rest of the clever cast.

The aesthetic dance by Miss Leona Newlin was certainly a credit to local talent. The two numbers were entitled: "Stephanie Gavot," and "The Secret."

The director of the entertainment was Naomi Williamson; manager, Ethelyn Fitzgerald, and property manager, Iva Wilson.

The Honor Guard Girls' play was a great success in every way and there was not a person in the audience who left unsatisfied. The Honor Guard Girls are going to hold a rally meeting next Thursday evening to which all patriotic girls are invited to attend.

may be exchanged for reserved seats at Silverthorn's Drug Store, Thursday, where tickets also will be on sale. 1-30-17.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the many friends who were so kind and thoughtful during the illness and death of our beloved mother, sister and aunt, Mrs. Hannah Rogers; also to thank the Eastern Star and friends for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Adna Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Williamson and Family, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williamson and Family, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Deal, Susie Deal. 1-29-17

Field Glasses, Etc. Those having field glasses, telescopes, etc., that they will lend or sell to the U. S. government, please call Walter Parker. 1-29-21.

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

Y. M. C. A. Class in Telegraphy. Class meets at 7:30 p. m., Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights, two hours each evening. Six more students wanted. Call at Y. M. C. A. building evenings for particulars. Students placed in positions as soon as they qualify for either railroad or Western Union positions. 1-19-27c

NEW TODAY

FOR RENT—Furnished apartment, Gilbert Apartments. Also chickens for sale. Red 561. 1-30-17

FOR SALE—Cheap; high-grade bedroom suite, bed, chiffoniere, dresser, rug, chair. Phone Red 3591. Breakfast table and chairs. 1-30-17pd

STRIKE STILL ON IN PAPER MILLS at Camas, Washington, but running smoothly and without trouble. All inside positions now filled and over 700 men on the payroll. Can use 25 men on outside work on construction and in yard. \$3.10 for 9 hours. Permanent work. Married men with families preferred. Good opportunity since vacancies on inside work are filled from outside crews. Rubber shoes and rain coats supplied to pulp handlers in wet weather. Camas on main line of S. P. S. railroad, about 24 miles from Portland, and about 15 miles from Vancouver, Washington. Jitney service to Vancouver; half hour car service Vancouver to Portland. Two boat lines Camas to Portland; fare on one 25 cents; other 50 cents. Cut out this "ad" and apply in person at Camas office or room 509 Oregon Bldg., Portland. 1-29-6tc.

CAPABLE WORKERS ARE IN DEMAND—for the national service calls many from their accustomed tasks. Men who are not available for military service at the front are still able to render real national service at home through helping to keep the wheels of industry and trade running to capacity. Classified advertising will help you to find the work for which you are best suited—and that's the only work you should try to do.

TROTZKY, AGAIN



This is the latest picture to reach this country of Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister. His automobile is outside headquarters, where Trotsky has been attending a council meeting. Officers are shown giving him a report.

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