

# GERMAN CENSOR HAS FIRM GRIP ON NEWSPAPERS

### Drastic Regulations Are Issued to the Editors.

## FEAR OF AMERICA IS SHOWN

Required to Comment Only in Terms of Praise Concerning Events of a Military and Political Nature—Go Into Veriest Details as to What German Papers May or May Not Print—Admit Eating Dog.

Sensational evidence of the extent to which the Prussian government has subjugated the press of Germany to the interests of the kaiser and his war party has been supplied to the department of state at Washington.

Copies of secret and drastic regulations issued to the German editors show not only that the German newspapers are prohibited from printing news that is bad but are required to comment only in terms of praise concerning events of a military and political nature.

Among the regulations issued is the following setting forth how the German papers must comment on the dispatch of Pershing's expedition to France:

"Petit Parisien (a Paris newspaper) informs us that five American divisions, numbering 125,000 men, may be expected in France in the autumn of 1917. It is urgently requested not to reproduce this information without some comment. We do not wish to underestimate the ability of America to accomplish things, but we must not, on the other hand, overestimate it. In order to bring a division over from America, 75,000 tons must make the trip twice. Therefore, from the mere fact of lack of space, the transportation of such a body of troops within certain fixed time limits is impossible. Moreover, it is impossible to train these troops properly by autumn. These facts, which have recently been discussed in the German war news, cannot be too strongly emphasized in the discussion of the French news."

All Details Covered. The regulations go into the veriest details in saying what the German papers may or may not print. For example:

"Advertisements in which dog flesh is offered for sale are not allowed. Their acceptance is forbidden."

Some of the regulations which cover a two-months period following the entrance of the United States into the war last spring follow:

"News about excesses and unrest in Prague may not be published."

"The publication and discussion of the resolutions adopted at a strike meeting of the Leipzig unions and of a telegram sent to the imperial chancellor is not permissible."

"There is no objection to the printing of the manifest of the independent socialist party in case it is adversely commented upon, even without irritating sharpness."

"In the interest of a victorious carrying through of the war, which is endangered by every stoppage of work, expressions of the press which recommend a strike or express themselves otherwise in favor of a strike are forbidden. Utterances which are directed against strikers are, indeed, not subject to censorship, but it is supposed thereby that they are kept free from immoderate sharpness which could offer material for irritating the people."

"Reports concerning disturbances in Koenigsberg, in Prussia, and concerning a warning from the commander of the First army corps, which followed in the Koenigsberg press, are impermissible."

Can't Discuss Russians. "The discussions of the Austrian lower chamber may for the present be published only in such light as they are sent out by the official correspondence bureau."

Last spring a large number of Russians were repatriated from Switzerland through Germany with definite purpose of spreading German propaganda in Russia. There was one of the

regulations issued to the press concerning this:

"The printing and discussion of the article 'Terrible Conditions in Warsaw for Obtaining the Necessities of Life,' in No. 33 of Napszod, of July 12, are not permissible."

Importations from neutral countries and the occupied territories must be carefully concealed, for example:

"It is not desired to discuss or even to mention the German importations from abroad, especially from Holland. 'Offers of food from the occupied eastern war zone may not be published. The acceptance of such advertisements is forbidden.'"

Other regulations, marked confidential, follow:

"Reports concerning the Chilean bark Tinto with German seamen from the crew of the cruiser Dresden may not be published."

No Comment on Raids.

"In connection with order P. R. 11-7330 No. 1, it is requested to call attention again, in reference to the possibly intended May celebration, to the duty of the home army to support by faithful work the men in the field, who are struggling in the difficult and decisive battles."

"Concerning the most recent bomb attack by a German flying machine on London, nothing may be published."

"Attention is drawn to the frequent ill-humor at the front often caused when it appears from the selections of captions for the reports of the war events, that the press out of need for sensation, or awkwardness, does not permit the recognition of which event is the most important."

"Reprinting of articles of neutral or enemy papers concerning the conditions in the Russian army is permitted."

"The publication which permits to be recognized the effectiveness of geology or kindred sciences in the service of the army are not permissible in the technical as well as in the daily press."

Political Letters Barred.

"It is not permissible that third persons appeal to members of the army in newspapers, brochures or pamphlets in order to call upon them to take up positions toward any political news whatever. It is especially requested to hinder such appeals."

"The publication of letters from the field of a political nature is forbidden."

"The publication of anything concerning the state of the clothing material business and concerning the purchase of clothing material in the occupied districts, as well as in Switzerland, is to be avoided."

"It is forbidden to publish anything concerning a fire in the flying station at Lawiecka."

"It is desired that the great enemy flying machine losses in the month of May be strongly emphasized by large headings or in some other particular manner."

"The Austrians on the Isonzo front have had very good successes. It is desired to continually take notice thereof."

The whole strength of Italy is fighting against Austria, while Austria is forced to use strong forces in other directions. The Austrian success is naturally also pleasing to us, entirely aside from the satisfaction which it must awaken if our allies accomplish successes with their carrying on of the war."

Praise Austrian Gains.

"It is therefore requested to discuss continually the occurrences on the Isonzo in this sense."

"For the present nothing may be published concerning the explosion which took place in the morning at the Friedrichsstrasse station in Berlin."

Attention is called to the fact that the prohibition communicated in P. R. 11-7320 of April 18, 1917, against numerical statements, estimates, relative figures and comparisons with peace figures: 1, concerning the production of iron and steel and their haul and complete manufacture; 2, concerning the transportation of coal, coke, briquette and ore; 3, concerning the stock, sale and use of such production is also to be applied to the countries allied with Germany."

"Warning—Police authorities have again been notified to seek out and to bring to ruthless punishment originators and communicators of untrue military, political, financial and economic reports. Past warnings have not prevented new, nonsensical and unfounded rumors."

Attention is again drawn to the order of February 23, 1917, P. R. 11-6675 in accordance with the public expression of sentiments hostile to Germany, and the spreading of untrue reports concerning the war, concerning the political, financial and economic situation of the German empire is forbidden, and transgressions are subject to punishment."

Coyotes Will Help.

Few people have heard of a coyote. No, it is not an animal. It is a vegetable which grows on a vine and may be used as a pickle or relish. It is appetizing and "hits the spot" with all who have tried it. It is suggested as another article adding to the supply of food in the country's effort to "beat the kaiser." The vegetable is about the size of a cucumber.

## FREAK DOE'S HORN SAVES

### Hunter Who Killed It Will Not Be Arrested.

Hall Millard of Annetville, Pa., killed a freak deer while out in the mountains over in Centre county. Because it had a five-inch horn protruding from its head he presumed it was a buck, but after he had killed it he saw that it was a doe.

He immediately got in touch with the district attorney and reported the matter, which was taken up by the state game commission, and word was sent back that Millard should not be arrested, as occasionally such freaks were killed.

Furthermore, he was to have the doe. Mr. Millard refused to take the carcass, but instead had it sent to the hospital.

## PROMOTE AMERICAN FLYERS WITH FRENCH

### Those Actively Engaged in Aerial Fighting to Get Commissions in United States Army.

Nearly 300 American youths are either flying at the front in the French aviation service, or are finishing their training at various French flying schools in France.

They are all volunteers and were recruited chiefly from the ambulance services, where they were formerly drivers on the French front.

They are entirely separate and distinct from the hundreds of American youths who are in the aviation branch of the signal corps of the United States army and who are receiving their training in various schools taken over from the French army.

It is expected that all of these Americans now officiating with the French army will be taken over by the American expeditionary force under the command of General Pershing, soon after the first of the year.

Those who have been actively engaged in aerial fighting for some time, like the members of the Lafayette Escadrille and a score of more other Americans attached to various French units, will probably receive commissions in the United States army.

Others, who have only been at the front for a short time, will be made first lieutenants, and it is expected that all the rest—practically every man holding a brevet from the French schools, will be made a second lieutenant in the United States army.

This will be a marked promotion, as in the French air service the men automatically become corporals when pupils at the flying schools, and then sergeants when they receive their brevets as aviators. Their next promotion to sublieutenant may come at any time or never.

Raoul Glens Lufbery, the American ace, with 18 German machines officially to his credit, is only a sublieutenant in the French service, a step above the ordinary beginners, who are sergeants.

William Thaw of Pittsburgh, who was in the Foreign Legion during the first year of the war and then entered aviation and organized the American Escadrille, as the Lafayette unit was first called, has been made a first lieutenant in the French army. It is believed that both he and Lufbery will receive commissions as flight-majors in the United States army.

## SHIP VANSE LOST AT SEA

### Few Vessels as Well Known to Persons Other Than Seafaring Men.

New York.—Somewhere in the Atlantic, tossed about like a cork and without lights or course, is the staunch ship Vanse, the pride of Capt. Jacob O. Samuelson, who was forced to desert her five days after a terrific storm snapped off her masts.

Few sailing vessels are as well known as this erstwhile full-rigged ship to persons other than seafaring men. For years the Vanse was a passenger ship, carrying sometimes 1,000 coolies out of Calcutta. Her last cargo was oil, which she conveyed from New York to Buenos Ayres. She is of 1,601 tons register and was coming up the coast in ballast, bound for Hampton Roads, Va., when the storm hit her.

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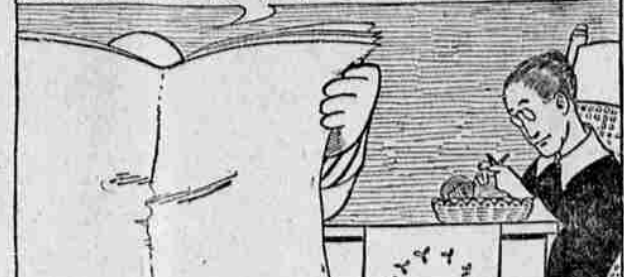
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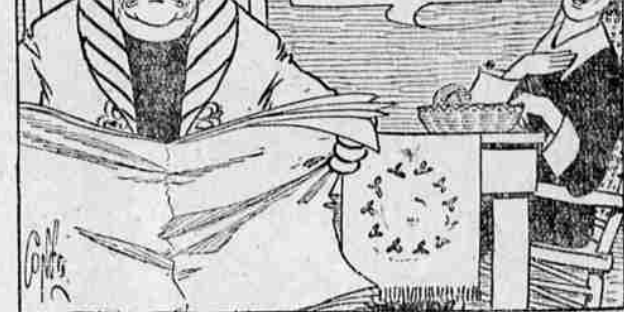
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## OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

LISTEN, MRS. TRUE. A SOLDIER GIVES AN ACCOUNT OF HIS EXPERIENCES IN THE TRENCHES. LET'S SEE, HERE'S WHAT HE SAYS: FOR DAYS I LAY UNCONSCIOUS. FOR TWO WEEKS MY STOMACH WOULDN'T EVEN HOLD WATER. WHEN I LEFT THE TRENCHES I WEIGHED ONLY 108 POUNDS. I FEARED I SHOULD NEVER SEE MY LOVED ONES AGAIN, BUT THANKS TO DOCTOR KILLEN'S TONIC I CAN NOW



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## SATIN SLIP-ON WITH FRINGE



Not Too Old to Knit. New York.—Mrs. Mary E. Capes, seventy-seven, who saw her country pass through the Civil war crisis, is knitting a sweater a week for Uncle Sam's boys now in service. Occasionally she adds a woolen helmet or two to her weekly task. "Merely my duty," she explained.

When You Have a Cold. It is when you have a severe cold that you appreciate the good quality

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- Unpecked today—new lot of Queen and Stuffed Olives.
- 15c buys a large size Florida Grapefruit.
- Nice lot of Jonathan Apples in today.
- Arriving daily—Fine Celery and Head Lettuce.
- Expect a shipment of Barley, Rice and Corn Flours in a few days.
- Buy War Breads—come fresh every morning.
- Just got a shipment of that fine Wisconsin Cream Brick Cheese in.
- How about a Boston Beauty Mackerel for breakfast?

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PATTISON BROTHERS GROCERY

ties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Mrs. Frank Crocker, Pana, Ill., writes: "Our five-year-old son Paul caught a severe cold last winter that settled on his lungs and he had terrible coughing spells. We were greatly worried about him as the medicine we gave him did not help him in the least. A neighbor spoke so highly of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy that I got a bottle of it. The first dose benefitted him so much that I continued giving it to him until he was cured."—Adv.

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Matt W. Mitchell  
Box 33, Cove, Oregon.

## Daily Observer

Makes Clubbing Arrangement With The Oregon Farmer Offers Unusual Opportunity to Its Readers

AMONG our large circle of readers there are a great many who are interested directly or indirectly in fruit growing, dairying and other branches of farming. All of these naturally wish to keep in close touch with agricultural activities throughout the state; and to know about any fight which is being waged for the measures Oregon farmers want and against all sorts of schemes that are detrimental to the people and agricultural interests of this state.

We have, therefore, made a special clubbing arrangement with THE OREGON FARMER whereby any farmer or fruitgrower, who is one of our regular subscribers and who is not now a subscriber to THE OREGON FARMER, will be entitled to receive THE OREGON FARMER in combination with this paper at the same rate as for this paper alone.

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