

FEARLESS YOUTHS, HEROES OF AIR

Exploits of Daring Airmen Thrill
All England.

TWO DOWN 76 HUN PLANES

No Chance These Human Eagles Won't
Take—Captain McCudden, Flight
Commander, Prefers to Work Alone
and Has System of His Own—
Forces Foe to Fight and Has Never
Lost an Encounter.

A few nights ago four members of the Royal Horse Guards, all more than six feet in height, and built like Apollos, stood in the lobby of a London theater between the acts. They resembled the Three Musketeers, and attracted attention because of their wonderful physique and splendid bearing. Near by stood three youngsters, none over five feet four, and none weighing more than 120 pounds. The Horse Guards, mere military ornaments, resemble battleships; the three youngsters, torpedo boats; at least, such was the comment of persons who stood near by. The youngsters were airmen, an American, who had observed the six, said: "The big fellows are all right, but give me those kids."

Are the Real Heroes.
The airmen, the flyers, are the heroes of England. All mere boys, they are clean cut, alert, and full of confidence. They are the same as the flyers of all nations. Daredavils, many call them. Most of them expect to be killed, and in the long run most of them are. But, as the average American flyer says: "We get a good fly for our money at that."

Just at the present time, the two heroes of the air in England are Capt. James McCudden, twenty-two years old, and Capt. Phillip Foulard, nineteen. The exploits of these youngsters have but recently become known in London, and when they return for leave, all Britain will be theirs. Captain McCudden has brought down 34 German machines; Captain Foulard has accounted for 42.

There is no chance these human eagles won't take. There is no such thing as fear in their make-up. Captain McCudden is the leader of a squadron which has brought down 50 enemy aircraft. Although a flight commander, he prefers to work alone. He manages his machine, and does his own firing, and is said to be one of the best wing shots in any army.

Battles Above Clouds.
His battle grounds lie away above the clouds. He flies, as a rule, at a height varying from 10,000 to 18,000 feet. He has a system all his own. When he spots an enemy aircraft he jockeys the foe from his own course and compels him to fight. He never yet lost an encounter. In a letter to his mother and sister, just published, he says that he recently brought down four German airmen in one day, two before luncheon and two after. The next day his score was three.

England has already had a view of

"Who Will Win This Battle?"

Your kidneys are the filters of the body. If they become inactive and fail to eliminate the waste matter, they are apt to throw the whole mechanism of the body out of order, thus toxic poisons can accumulate in the system and be as deadly as snake venom.

Besides causing the minor ailments of rheumatism, sciatica, lumbago and backache, neglect of the kidneys is apt to develop into more serious diseases, such as diabetes or stone in the bladder.

And the body of toxic poisons—clean the bladder and kidneys and cure the twinges of rheumatism with Anuric and you win the battle of life.

Anuric was first discovered by Dr. Pierce, and has benefited thousands of sufferers as well as appeased and eliminated the ravages of the more serious kidney diseases. Now procurable at any good drug store, or send direct to Dr. V. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., 10 cents for trial package.

Mrs. B. G. COKER says: "When I commenced the treatment of Anuric I was in bad shape. My back ached all the time and I knew my back would ache at night until I would have to get up. I could never sleep all night. But since I have taken the Anuric Tablets my backache is all gone and I can lie down and sleep good and sound all night. Oh! how much better I do feel—no one knows but myself. My advice to all sufferers of kidney troubles is to give Anuric a trial and they will find relief from their trouble."



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many of the American flyers on their way from America to France. Many of these young men are university undergraduates, and one has but to see them to know that they will quickly take their place with the idols of the air of France, England and Italy.

MANUAL TRAINING FOR WAR CRIPPLES



An artificial limb manual training center was recently opened at Bournemouth, near London. The crippled soldiers went through various performance tests to show that these artificial limbs are practical. The picture shows a complete artificial leg as it appears when taken apart.

RED CROSS STILL IN NEED OF SUPPLIES

Impossible for American Women
to Oversupply Hospitals
With Surgical Dressings.

Startling as it may seem the assertion is true that French surgeons at times were forced to operate upon wounded soldiers without the use of anesthetics or surgical dressings. This information was given by Mrs. Benjamin G. Lathrop, director of the Paris depot of the American Fund for French Wounded, in answer to a question as to whether her organization and the Red Cross were not being oversupplied with hospital materials.

"It is impossible for American women to oversupply the Red Cross with surgical dressings when there are 4,000 military hospitals in France which need our help and in addition the civilian relief stations and last, but not least, the new American army hospitals."

Mrs. Lathrop worked to supply French hospitals with anesthetics and bandages before the Red Cross became a big factor in the situation. She explained the shortage of anesthetics and other supplies as follows:

"When the Germans invaded France in 1914 they occupied, and still hold, the main manufacturing districts of the country. With most of their factories lost the French had to turn to the United States for hospital supplies. The enormous number of wounded exceeded their facilities and it is true that some operations were performed without anesthetics or surgical dressings."

"Rubber goods especially were scarce. Gloves made of French rubber split as soon as the surgeons tried them on. Hot water bottles broke at the first filling. In time we got enough rubber goods from the United States to improve the situation, but there is still acute need for all that possibly can be sent over there."

DIAMONDS IN TEXAS

Finding of Gems on a Ranch Causes
Much Excitement.

Much excitement has been caused among the people of central western Texas over the discovery of gems, believed to be diamonds, upon a ranch 18 miles southwest of Sterling City. An account of the discovery is given by E. Kellis, county surveyor of Sterling county. He writes as follows:

"About thirty-two years ago a well

driller encountered a substance that cut his drill bit. The well was finished and the driller drifted away. One day a cowboy picked out of the borings of the well some pretty rocks and showed them to a jeweler, who paid him \$800 for one of them, a black stone. The cowboy some years later met the driller in Seattle, Wash.

"They related to each other the facts about the find. The driller told the story to Chicago parties, who came here with the driller last winter and started a prospect shaft, following the bore of the well. The shaft is now 83 feet deep. At the start the formation was conglomerate. At about 80 feet a blue clay 'dope' was struck. In this formation they are taking out some beautiful pebbles. Some are black translucent, while others are white transparent and very hard."

"HUNTS FOR BURIED CITY"

Scientist Seeking It on the Dolores River.

In search of a buried city on the Dolores river, in southwestern Colorado, Dr. Jesse Walter Fewkes, ethnologist of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, has left for the "Big Bend" district and plans to spend several weeks in his efforts to unearth the Pueblo ruins.

From government archives in Washington Dr. Fewkes learned that two Spanish explorers who passed through southwestern Colorado more than 200 years ago told of communal houses located along the Dolores, and as there is no trace of these dwellings now, it is believed they have been covered by sand drift. The archeological quest may result in the finding of a prehistoric city, Dr. Fewkes believes.

HE'S OLDEST RAILROADER

James Frew Has Been in the Business
for Sixty-Five Years.

James Frew of Fort Madison, Ia., recently retired as a Santa Fe employee, lays claim to being the oldest railroad man in the United States in point of service. He has worked for 65 years on the railroads of England and America.

Frew is seventy-eight years old and began work as a laborer on the English roads when thirteen years old. Coming to this country as a young man, he continued as general foreman, master mechanic and division superintendent.

As he grew older he was forced to give up these responsible positions, but he continued railroading, as that was before the day of pensions for worthy employees retiring on account of age.

Father "Hooverized" to Excess.
Excessive Hooverizing from which patriotic sentiment was absent brought a year's sentence in Bridewell prison in New York city for Fred Lexow. He was charged with counting the bites of meat eaten by his two sons in spite of the fact that their mother paid the grocery bills. He also was found guilty of treating the boys cruelly.

FERTILIZER ACCUMULATES

Congested Transportation Facilities in
East Responsible.

A loss of 5,000,000 bushels of wheat and other grains faces the nation's crop next season unless huge amounts of fertilizers are moved from the Atlantic seaboard at once.

Due to congested transportation facilities vast amounts of the fertilizer have accumulated. At one plant near here 60,000 tons of acid phosphate await shipment. This must be moved before more can be made, and unless some of it is shipped at once the plant will have to close for lack of storage space.

GIVES AMBULANCE TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT



Emmanuel de Luyne, Duc de Chantilly, a grandson of Theodore P. Shonts, at the wheel of the ambulance presented to the Italian government by the New York friends of Capt. Pierre Tezard of the Italian army.

DOG ROUTS BANDITS

Saves a Woman's Life and Protects
\$3,000.

Nero, a big St. Bernard dog, the other night saved \$3,000 for his owner, Mrs. Eugenia Graf, by fighting off four bandits who held up her saloon in Chicago.

Mrs. Graf had the money to cash checks for stockyard employees. She was in a room back of the bar counting out money for a check when the bandits entered. Each of the men carried a revolver. One covered the two bartenders and several customers in the barroom. A second robber ran behind the bar and opened the cash register.

Mrs. Graf saw the bandits coming in time to slam the door and turn the key. She gathered up her money and fled through a back door. The robbers fired two shots through the door and killed it in just as Mrs. Graf vanished from the room. The men sprang after her and Nero attacked them.

The robbers fired four shots at the dog, but he drove them back into the barroom and ran behind the bar to attack the man at the cash register. The bandit leaped over the bar and ran, followed by his companions.

NOT ALL AT ONCE

Farmer Forty-Eight Years Old and
Wife of Forty-Four, Have 16
Children.

Peter Anderson, a farmer of the township of Rydland, in Polk county, Minn., owns a 7-passenger auto, which, even when loaded to normal capacity, only carries about one-third of his family. Another seven-passenger car and a four-seater are needed by

him; if no one is to be left at home. Anderson is the father of 46 living children. The youngest, a daughter, arrived last week and has been christened Marie. There have been 18 children in all, but two are dead. The oldest, a son, was twenty-one on June 30 last. There are no twins or triplets in the family. The mother was forty-four years old on January 25, 1918. The father is forty-eight years old.

Anderson has 237 acres of land, worth \$100 an acre, and can do all his farming without help from outside of the family circle.

Chamberlain's Tablets.

These tablets are intended especially for disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels. If you are troubled with heartburn, indigestion or constipation they will do you good.

JAMES PERRY EXPLAINS DUTIES

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to make things comfortable. Did you have a craving for candy and other sweets? I sure have and there was a long time that I couldn't buy anything of that sort—during the trip, which was about a month. Candy is pretty dear over here, milk chocolate is out of sight; one can buy other chocolates, but it reminds one of eating something with sand in it.

It must have been a surprise to Uncle Henry's to have you visit them or were they expecting you? Is Tennessee like North and South Carolina? If all the South is like

what I saw I don't care to live there.

There are two American newspapers printed in Paris; we get the news of here and America pretty regular. They are two sheet affairs but are mostly news, with only a few ads. Some of the ads, are of American products, such as shoes and Gillette safety razors. Gillette can be bought for 25 francs (\$5) which is the same as in America. Well, I will close for this time. Write when you can. As ever,

Your brother,
JAMES F. PERRY,
107 Aero, A. E. F.

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A Penny a Day Means a Kit-a-Month for a Boy at the Front



Every man, woman and child in this city can help keep one of our boys at the front supplied with cigars and tobacco by setting aside one cent a day for each working day.

Just think what this little sum will do! For 25 cents we will enter your name on our Tobacco Fund list and will send 45 cents worth of smoking tobacco and cigars to our boys in France. In the kit will be a postal card stamped and addressed to you, and on the kit will be a request to the soldier asking him to write a message to you on the postal and mail it.

The Red Cross takes charge of these kits of smoking material and distributes them; the French government sends back the postal bearing a one-cent United States stamp and admits the tobacco free of duty.

Surely if as busy an organization as the Red Cross Society and as pre-occupied officials as those of the French government will do these things to see that our soldiers get a chance to smoke, it isn't asking much to ask you to set aside one cent a day for the purpose.

Send in your contributions of any amount—25 cents, \$1.00, \$5.00, or more. For every 25 cents that you give, a separate postal bearing your name goes to the front.

Here's 45 cents worth of tobacco which is sent for your quarter:

A package of Tuxedo tobacco and four books of cigaret papers. Three pouches of Bull Durham Tobacco and three books of papers.

Two packages of Lucky Strike cigars, twenty cigars in each package.

A return postal card addressed to the contributor on which the soldier will pen his appreciation and gratitude for the gift.

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If Bevo were merely a summer beverage this warning might not be so timely—but, as all who drink it know—

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