

# HOW SOLDIERS GOT THEIR CANDY

DESIRE FOR SWEETS CAUSES QUICK ACTION.

Soldiers Trade Their Sugar Supply For Candy Whenever Offer Is Made.

(By Clarence Buntington Kelland) PARIS, August 1.—(By Mail.)—If you want a variety of things that ain't, what do you do? If you have several thousand men on your hands who are asking for candy which does not exist, for cookies and macaroons and jam, and there isn't sugar or chocolate or flour or ovens to bake in, what's the answer?

This is the situation in which Roy John, a divisional secretary of the Y. M. C. A. found himself. He had to take care of the American soldiers in a big district, so he took one long look about the country and got on the job.

First, there was the everywhere present cry for candy. Sugar could not be had, chocolate could not be had, and John had no facilities to manufacture. He discovered a candy factory that had been obliged to shut down because of the war. That was one point gained. He had the place to work, but nothing to work with. Then he went to the army.

"You want candy. Come across with sugar from the commissary. For every pound of sugar you furnish me I'll return two pounds of the best candy."

"You're on," said the army. So John got his sugar. But he had to have chocolate.

There was a local chocolate manufacturer, but he could not sell to the Y. M. C. A. because all his product was taken by the authorities. This man, John discovered, had bought a machine to be used in his business. The machine weighed six hundred pounds and it was a hundred miles away. The railroad would not deliver it. It was the war. Private freight of that weight could not be handled. The manufacturer had waited eight months for his machine.

John went to him and said: "If you will manufacture for me 2000 kilos of chocolate every four weeks I'll get your doo-dad for you."

"Oh, Monsieur, it's impossible," said the manufacturer. "You could not get me my machine."

"Will you make me my chocolate?"

"But yes, Monsieur—if you deliver my machine."

That night John sent a motor truck and two men after the machinery and next noon it was set down at the door of the chocolate manufacturer's place of business. Since then the "Y" has gotten all the chocolate it needs in that local district. Now the "Y" is turning out for American soldiers in that district 600 pounds of first class chocolate cream candy every week, and the output is increasing.

Cookies and macaroons and cakes were wanted. John found idle bakeries. Again he went to the army. Let me have sugar and flour and we'll make you sweet cakes. Macaroons came first because they require no flour—only almonds and sugar. In a matter of days the Y. M. C. A. was able to furnish macaroons at a figure two frames under the market price. Now they are making glazed fondant and cookies that make your mouth water, and regular American biscuit. Already they have turned out 8,000 kilos of cakes, which translated into American means 16,000 pounds, or eight tons. And all without material or resources, or help from Paris.

Jam was wanted. The district is rich in fruits. A jam factory shut down by the war, was discovered and set to work. The "Y" bought the fruit and skimmed the sugar. The initial deal was for 12,000 three-frame pails of jam. This was underselling the local market by fifty centimes or ten cents. Another 25 centimes was to be returned to the soldier when he brought back the jam pail. In two weeks the 12,000 pails were sold to the American boys, but not a pail was brought back. Every soldier who met had one fastened to his belt.

The situation had gotten to this point. The colonel in charge of a certain camp called up. "How about candy? My men are yelling for sweets!"

"Two hundred pounds on the truck for you this minute."

So the local enterprise of the Red Triangle is recognized by the army officially. Men of a hospital train which makes this town once in a while, were complaining about their difficulty in getting cigarettes and chocolate and supplies. "We're in a place an hour; then out. No chance to buy. Then we may be shunted off on an isolated side track to stay for days until needed. What can you do for us?"

The major in charge of the train came to see about it. "We'll install a canteen on your train," said the "Y" man. "We'll stock you up, and you pay for it as you see it. Account to us when you have a chance. We'll be ready to restock you at any time. Just wire us when you'll be here and

## NADJA BECOMES AMERICAN



Nadja Frolkova, sister of Mme. Botchkarova, commander of the Russian battalion of death, has adopted Washington as her home and declares "I American; Russian, no." That is about all the English she has acquired. She is living in a girls' camp on the Potomac near Washington, where the occupants receive military training. She is sixteen years old, too young to have been a member of the "battalion of death," but now she is training to be an American soldier.

how long and what you need, and we'll have it on the spot."

It worked beautifully. Now every couple of weeks a wire comes to the "Y." "Be in town forty minutes. Arrive four. Need this that and the other." And always the stuff is there for them. Incidentally the "Y" has provided them a complete baseball outfit to be used during those weary intervals when they are tied up on side tracks.

Again: The tobacco supply gave out. Train service was tied up and no new stuff could be had. But the men must smoke. John went into the French market and bought what the government would sell. It was enough to keep the boys in smoking until their own supply of American tobacco was replenished.

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## SUMMER COMPLAINT.

During the hot weather of the summer months some member of almost every family is likely to be troubled with an unnatural looseness of the bowels, and it is of the greatest importance that this be treated promptly, which can only be done when the medicine is kept on hand. Mrs. F. P. Scott, Scitoville, N.Y., states: "I first used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as much as five years ago. At that time I had a severe attack of summer complaint and was suffering intense pain. One dose relieved me. Other members of my family have since used it with like results."

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## UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM CLUB

MEMBERSHIP ONLY LIMITED BY THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES ON THE SYSTEM.

If you want to spend a pleasant half hour of the day, go over to the Union Pacific club, for employes of the system, and Steward Jake Gulling, at one time, not long since, retired from active service, having been employed as conductor for more than a quarter of a century, and he will tell you good stories to while away the time.

In a somewhat reminiscent mood, as Jake stood, recently watching the trains of G. A. R. members pass through La Grande, he said that he was something of a pioneer in Oregon himself.

"I was placed in Notre Dame college, back in Indiana, and remained there less than six months. Guess I must have been born with a vein of romance in my make-up, and a roving disposition, for I was then, if I remember rightly, only 11 or 12 years old, and after running away from school came west as far as Omaha, Nebraska—as far west as there was any railroad built, and there I joined in with a bunch of cattle men and rode horseback all the way to Cheyenne, Wyoming, and, I think, never had my boots or socks off for the entire trip across the plains.

"I was just as large in size at the age of 16 as I was at 18 years, and by fibbing a little bit, began railroading at the age of 16, and have been railroading the balance of my life."

The membership of the U. P. Club is only limited by the number of employes on the entire system, whether they belong in La Grande, or at any other point on the line.

Each employe pays 50 cents a month hospital dues, and from this fund is paid the upkeep of the club, the funds furnishing magazines, newspapers and games for the amusement of members. There is also bath accommodations for those who wish to enjoy them.

Taken all in all, the U. P. club room in La Grande is a mighty nice and convenient place for an employe to spend his spare time when in the city.

## A DECENT BOCHE DOG

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES IN FRANCE, Aug. 8.—(United Press, By Mail.)—"The boches over there have a dog that ought to be cited by us," say the boys of a certain American regiment.

Every time there is a big German raid, this dog appears running along the German trenches. Every time, he has warned the Americans to be ready for the boches when they come over. Every raid has been repulsed and has been costly to the Germans.

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## LAD CANYON MOURNS DEATH

NEWS OF INTEREST OF THE PEOPLE OF THE CANYON IS TOLD.

LADD CANYON, Aug. 21.—(Special.)—The Rex Conaway home is a sad one, Mrs. Conaway having passed away Monday evening, August 19. Although she had been afflicted with diabetes the past two years, she was able to perform her household and social duties most of the time and was taken ill and passed away so suddenly that it was a shock to her many friends. Dr. Dora Underwood was called and she was taken to Hot Lake, where she soon passed away. Mrs. Conaway was an ideal wife, mother and neighbor, and in spite of her ill health, did much work for the Red Cross and was prominent in various other patriotic activities. She leaves besides her husband, three children: Mildred, Arthur and Harry, Mildred being fourteen years of age, the oldest; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMillan, who reside at Alice, and several brothers, one of whom is Jay McMillan and who has been in France the past year, besides other relatives.

Wm. Danton, who had his jaw bone broken about a week ago when a stick of wood was hurled from a wood saw, striking him on the jaw, and Mrs. Bapton, who was injured at the same time, are doing nicely at the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Winburn.

We are becoming tired of the rainy weather, as there is considerable grain in the shock, but not much hay unstacked.

Mrs. Albert Krause and two youngest children are enjoying a visit in Portland with her parents and other relatives.

Guy Fuller's threshing crew have returned home from the Cove section until the weather becomes more settled.

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## NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

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That said Court has fixed Monday, September 23rd, 1918, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the Court House in La Grande, Oregon, as the place, when and where the Court will hear objections, if any, to said final account, and at said time and place will allow, modify, or deny said final account, as may appear from the evidence offered at such hearing.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, this 22nd day of August, 1918.

T. J. SCROGGIN, Administrator.

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