

CHINESE HELP ALLIES IN WAR

Laborers Are Doing Great Work Behind Lines.

NEARLY 150,000 ARE THERE

Engaged in Making Ammunition, Constructing Buildings, Paving Roads, Loading and Unloading Ships and Trains and in All the Thousand and One War Industries—What the Yank is Doing for the Chinaman.

By ELOISE ROBINSON.

Since early in the war there have been numbers of Chinese with the French and British armies in France—not in the fighting line but in that enormous army of laborers which makes it possible to carry on the war. Nearly a hundred thousand of these are working with the British in northern France, and more than forty thousand more are scattered all over the country with the French. Now they are coming into the American lines in large numbers.

Most of these men come from northern and central China, and for the same reasons that of our American boys came to France before the United States entered the war. Some of them were attracted by the high pay and the chance to better their own condition, some of them out of pure love of adventure, still others because of their appreciation of what this struggle means in their own future history.

And there are, too, not a few Chinese scholars and men of some distinction in their own country who have been forced to leave for political reasons, as well as young students from England or America. They are engaged in making ammunition, in the construction of buildings, in paving roads, in loading and unloading ships and trains—in all the thousand and one "war industries" that have directly and indirectly to do with the maintaining of the allied armies in France.

Lack of Understanding. Merely for the sake of efficiency it is of importance that a feeling of mutual understanding and sympathy should exist between the Yank and the Chinaman who has come to be his neighbor. Officials recognize its military value and have met with appreciation the efforts of the Y. M. C. A., which is carrying on the work in most of the camps where Chinese are located.

Most of the difficulties were due to lack of understanding. For instance, a quiet, hard-working Chinaman had some trouble with his eyes, and was ordered to the only place where he could have protection from the light, which happened to be the guardhouse. No doubt the Yank tried to explain to him on the way just why he was being sent there, but his efforts were not noticeably successful. All that Chinaman could comprehend, and all that his friends could comprehend was that he was being shut up in the "Het Yoo Tse" when he had committed no offense. Or when the energetic doughboy wanted to hasten along the delightful coolie he would wave his arms wildly in the air and, with the idiotic instinct we all have to believe that the man who does not speak our language is hard of hearing, yell at the top of his lungs.

"Come on, you fellows, let's go." Unfortunately, however, "go" in Chinese means dog, the laborers supposed they were being "bawled out" for some inexplicable reason, and there might have been trouble had not a "Y" secretary who had once been a missionary to China straightened things out. As it was, coolie and doughboy went off together with grins on their faces. Chinamen can appreciate a joke, as well as Yanks, and a new word was added to their vocabularies.

Anxious to Learn. Some of the men here already picked up a considerable knowledge of French, and they are eager to learn English. Both American officers and enlisted men have volunteered to conduct classes in English.

Beyond the immediate benefit to the men themselves and their increased efficiency to the army, there is a larger benefit of this work with the Chinese. After the war he is going home to the interior of China to be looked up to by his friends and relatives and by the whole community as a man of information and importance. He will be a leader in his village, and his word will carry weight. The engineers directing Chinese work will be among those to go to China to have a share in the great industrial development which is sure to come at the close of the war.

GET A \$4,000 WINDFALL

Unexpected Cash for Relatives of Miner Killed in Mishap.

Theodore Olson, a former employee of the Homestake mine in Lead, S. D., who in 1904 left the Black hills for the mining districts of the Southwest, has been dead for seven months, but his relatives and friends in the Black hills were not aware of his fate until recently.

Olson was killed in a mine accident in Arizona. The first knowledge his Black hills relatives had of his death was when they received a letter from an attorney in Arizona asking for information in regard to relatives, among whom about \$4,000 is to be divided.

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MEAT PACKERS AID IN WAR SACRIFICES

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—American packers are doing far more than merely furnishing meat foods to the soldiers and sailors of the United States and her allies, according to C. S. Churchill, Advisory Superintendent for Swift & Co., who addressed the American Meat Packers' convention today.

"The general public realizes little of the work that the packer is doing to win the war," said Mr. Churchill. "We are furnishing a great deal of material for the manufacture of munitions, including glycerine, potash and sulphuric acid. Our sheepskins are used to manufacture cold-proof coats."

"Every pound of wool that we have is taken by the government as fast as we produce it, and the price is fixed by the government."

"There isn't a pound of stock food manufactured today that is not being used to help win the war, because it goes to put weight on live stock that is badly needed by our soldiers and sailors."

"The tons of fertilizer which we manufacture aid in growing more crops that will be used later to feed more soldiers to fight the Hun. Gun has its use. Soap certainly is a big item. Albumen is another highly important product; it is now used in the construction of aeroplanes."

"There are also many other products too numerous to mention, not one of which, I believe, does not have an important place in the conduct of the war."

"We, of Swift & Company, believe in giving credit where credit is due and I want to say that our labor has performed cheerfully the giant tasks set for us by the Food Administration. No order has been too big, no job too overwhelming for them."

"Recognition of this willingness to serve has resulted in an increase for male labor totaling more than 100 per cent since February, 1918. In the case of our female help the increase has been even greater, this help now receiving 165 per cent more than in 1916."

To take care of the war business, Mr. Churchill said that all the packers in the country had been forced to build new freezers and buildings of every description at a cost two to three times greater than pre-war cost. He paid tribute to the government inspectors of the Bureau of Animal Industry and of the army who select the meat, and said:

"In addition to the safeguard that this is to the soldiers and sailor, it is a safeguard to us. It safeguards us from attack of those who for their own personal aggrandizement or for other reasons may seek to criticize unjustly one of the few industries that in the early days of the war, and up to the present time, has continued to supply our government with what it wanted, as it wanted it, when it was needed, without quibble as to price."

"This is a record of which we should be proud, gentlemen. It demonstrates that we are doing—not our bit, but our full share toward winning this war, doing it cheerfully, willingly and because we are in this war to win; and to win, our soldiers must be fed and fed with good food."

UNDELIVERED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at this office for the week ending October 11, 1918:

Gentlemen: C. E. Anger, John Howard Bull, Ernest Campbell, Edd Deland, E. W. Edwards, Sporty A. Herr, Floyd Loper, J. D. Martin, Mel Marcus, Donari MacNicol, C. A. Nelson, C. D. Pulmon, Lloyd Pedicq, J. E. Rinaard, Anic Simpson, R. H. Taylor, Charles Wood, Henry Woodard.

Ladies: Mrs. Walter Austin, Miss Alpha Busick, Mrs. C. L. Carter, Mrs. Anna Emmings, Miss Lucile Evans, Miss Hazel Fenstermaker, Mrs. Maude Harvey, Mrs. R. L. Laine, Mrs. Frank Nelson, Gertrude Robertson, Mrs. E. A. Spencer, Mrs. L. E. Terry, Mary L. Wise.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office on October 25, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

E. E. BRAGG, P.M.

MAJ. GEN. W. S. GRAVES



Maj. Gen. William S. Graves is in command of the American troops in the American-Japanese expedition to Siberia.

NOTICE OF REFEREE'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that under and by virtue of a decree of sale entered in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Union county, on the 8th day of October, 1918, in that certain suit therein pending wherein Nannie Halley and Eleanor Jean Halley, by Nannie Halley, her guardian, ad litem, are plaintiffs, and Roy B. Halley, Goldie Halley, Frank W. Halley, Etta Halley, Effie Shipley, George Shipley, James Lewis Halley and Margaret Francis Halley are defendants, directing and commanding that the undersigned, as referee, sell as by law provided, the following described lands in Union county, Oregon, to wit: Lot 2 in Block 63, of Chaplin's Addition to the Town of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, according to the supplemental plat of said Addition, now of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances of Union County, the undersigned will

Classified Ads

LOST AND FOUND

LOST.—A Rim and Tire 34 x 4 for an Overland. Return to Observer; reward. 10-12-6t p Wkly 1t-p

WANTED.

WANTED—Several common laborers. Inquire E. O. L. & P. Co. office, 1315 Washington Ave. 10-11-1f

WANTED—A girl for housework. Call Farmers' 207. 9-26tf

WANTED—Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Parties to contract building one mile of railroad grade. Inquire Grande Ronde Lumber Co., Ferry, Oregon. 10-10-6t.

WANTED—At once, cook on ranch; from 3 to 5 people to cook for. 9-3tf

WANTED.—School Girl wants place to work for room and board. Call at Observer Office. Oct. 12-3t-p

IF YOU have a house in Portland that you want to dispose of and will allow reasonable terms, we can sell it for you. THE FRED A. JACOBS CO. 104 5th Street, Portland, Oregon. 10-14-3t

FOR RENT

FOR RENT.—Two Unfurnished Rooms, close in. Also Rabbits for Sale.—Phone Black 1642. Oct. 12-1f

FOR RENT.—Light Housekeeping Rooms.—1905 Adams Ave. Oct. 8-4f.

FOR RENT — Furnished apartment, 1807 Penn. 10-14f

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE.—Apples, Roman Beauties and Yorks, \$1.50 per box. Phone R-3371. 10-14-6t-pd

FOR SALE.—An Oak front Folding Bed. Apply 2066 1st St. 10-14-6t pd

FOR SALE—Half acre, with nearly new small house, at \$700; city and well water, woodshed, chicken house, cellar; splendid soil. Will require small cash payment and balance monthly. This is a bargain for anyone who wants to stop paying rent. Security Land & Savings Co. Oct. 9-12-16-19

FOR EXCHANGE.—Lot in California, valued at \$600 as part payment on an automobile.—Write L.L., care of Observer. 10-9-6tp

FOR SALE—Five acre tract, with good house and barn; land all in cultivation, in Fruitdale, three miles from town. A bargain at \$1100, some cash, balance time. Security Land & Savings Co. Oct. 9-12-16-19

FOR SALE—Young pigs. Phone Farmers 21x5. 10-15-6t

FOR SALE—Nice new bungalow, just in the edge of town; nearly an acre and a half of fine soil, all in cultivation; just a beautiful home. It will require some cash and balance time. The price on this place is right. Security Land & Savings Co. Oct. 9-12-16-19.

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FOR SALE.—Two Poland-China Sows in farrow. Bert Knight, Island City. Oct. 12-3t-p

FOR SALE.—10 acres, half mile north of Island City; one team, wagon and harness; four milk cows, Jerseys; one Ford car. I. N. Kerr, Phone, Farmers 197. 10-11-4t, pd

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FOR SALE.—Stock ranch. For particulars apply to Alex. Lindsay, R.F.D. No. 2. 9-23 tf.

FOR SALE.—Restaurant and furnished rooms, will sell cheap. Phone Main 736. 8-12-1f

on the 8th day of November, 1918, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the front door of the County Court House in La Grande, Oregon, sell at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, the said property and all rights of plaintiffs and defendants in said suit therein.

LEE WARNICK, Referee. Oct. 9-16-23-30; Nov. 6.

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VETERINARY

DR. H. W. RILEY—Graduate Veterinarian. Hospital, 1409 Madison Ave. State Stallion inspector and inspector of stock for shipment. Home Independent Phone, Black 41; Farmers Co-operative Phone, Main 113.

Fraternal Directory.

B. P. O. E. ELKS, La Grande Lodge No. 433. Lodge meets each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Home and club privileges cheerfully extended to all Brother Elks. R. J. GREEN, Exalted Ruler. A. E. CHERRY, Secretary.

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Red Cross Lodge No. 27 meets every Monday night in Castle Hall (K. of P. hall) A Pythian welcome to all visiting Knights. J. L. ROBERTSON, C.C. DELILE GREEN, K. of R. & S

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—La Grande Camp No. 169 meets every first and third Monday at Eagles Hall. All visiting neighbors welcome. Dues payable at the office of the clerk, New Foley Bldg., 9 a. m., to 5 p. m. J. J. MURCHISON, C. C. R. J. KITCHEN, Clerk

L. O. O. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 850, Loyal Order of Moose holds regular meetings every Wednesday night at 8 p. m. in Eagle hall next to Elks' Bldg. on Washington Ave. Visitors always welcome. Dues payable at Young's Sweets. W. C. HANSEN, Dic. HARRY SWART, Sec.

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A. F. & A. M.—La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M. holds regular meetings first and third Saturday at 7:30 p. m. Cordial welcome to all Masons. ROBERT S. EAKIN, W. M. A. C. WILLIAMS, Sec.

O. E. S.—Hope Chapter No. 11, O. E. S. holds stated communications the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Visiting members cordially welcomed. SADIE E. GIVEN, W. M. MARY A. WARNICK, Sec.

K. of L. of Security—Mt. Emily Council, No. 246, meets the second and fourth Monday evening at 8 o'clock at Eagle hall. Visiting members are welcome. ABE HARRIS, Fin'l. Sec. J. K. FITZGERALD, Pres.

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