

DOINGS OF THE VAN LOONS



Father isn't quite ready to replace an auto truck

GIRLS DO GOOD WORK

American Telephone Operators Now Serving in France.

Hundred Who Were Sent Over Giving Such Efficient Service More Will Be Sent.

Washington.—To the 100 girls from America now doing service as military telephone operators in France, 150 more in training schools here may soon be added, leaving a reserve force of 400 more on file out of about 8,000 applications.

The telephone is referred to as the "nerves of the army," and the young women who have been accepted for this work have undergone tests as severe as those to which a soldier at the front is subjected.

The telephone exchanges often are only a short distance behind the trenches, and the operator must possess both courage and calmness under dangerous circumstances.

"These girls," said Capt. E. J. Westcott, who recruited the unit, are going to astound the people over there by their efficiency. In Paris it takes from 40 to 60 seconds to complete one call. Our girls are equipped to handle 300 calls an hour."

Other reports that have reached the war department from France show that the American hello girl is making good rapidly in a task as difficult as it is to be found back of the front line trenches.

The first group of operators entered training school here on January 12 for instruction in advanced telephony. They received practice in the largest New York exchanges and were then tried out at military cantonments. The course included talks upon personal hygiene.

The first contingent sailed on March 2. Other groups sailed in March and April and were stationed at supply depots and debarkation bases.

In addition to speaking both French and English fluently, every one of these girls has stood a loyalty test which proved that she could be trusted with military information.

The uniform prescribed consists of a coat and skirt of navy blue serge, shirtwaist of navy blue Palm Beach cloth and straight-brimmed hat of blue felt, while the regulation orange and white cord on the left sleeve is used to designate their rank, as operator, supervisor, chief operator and so on.

BROTHERS IN ARMS



Every wearer of khaki who is now with the American expeditionary forces in France has been taken into the hearts of the French families and our sons are as their sons. There is no bond like that which arises from fighting in a common cause for high ideals.

"WAR BRIDES" DUPE SOLDIERS

Women Fortune Hunters Arrested for Having More Husbands Than Law Allows.

San Diego, Cal.—Almost since the United States entered the war soldiers have been victims of women fortune hunters. Girls at various camps are being arrested charged with having an over quota of soldier husbands, and in every case the question of insurance was the motive. This city has been no exception to

the rule, and with the thousands of soldiers and sailors in training at the camps near by federal officials are always on the alert, and as a result two girls are under arrest. They gave their names as Miss Mae Smith and Mrs. Elsie Byrnes, and both are pretty. They were caught in the act of mailing about 20 letters to sailors and soldiers asking for money for clothes and traveling expenses. In every letter written by the girls was the phrase: "I wish you oceans of love with a kiss on the top of every wave." The girls also received 18 letters from ardent lovers and each letter contained money.

Fine Cotton Crop.
New Orleans, La.—Reports from practically every section of the South indicate the yield of cotton will be heavy this season. The staple selling at around 30 cents a pound in the seedling season stimulated planting, notwithstanding the fact that in many localities a plea was made for the planting of more food and feed crops.

'MERRY WIDOW' TO DIE

French Woman Found Guilty by Court-Martial.

Sold Military Secrets to the Germans in Letters to Her Children.

Paris, France.—Brief announcement has just been made that a Paris court-martial has condemned to death as a spy Mme. M., thirty-seven years old. Her son, Noel, sixteen years old, who was accused of being her accomplice, was ordered to a penitentiary colony until he comes of age. The court believed he was too young to be held responsible for his acts.

As the case was not heard in public only a few details have become known, such as that Mme. M.'s husband was killed at the front in March, 1916, and that the wife soon started a life that earned her, in the circles she frequented, the name of "The Merry Widow." She soon ran through the money she inherited, and, to obtain more, communicated with a Greek living in Spain, an agent of the spy bureau established in Barcelona by the Germans.

When mother and son were arrested, the boy was just about to engage in the aviation service in order to obtain information to be supplied to Germany.

A writer in the Paris Midi identifies the Greek as the head of German propaganda in Spain and a doctor in particular of the service for arranging explosions in factories. He was a regular visitor to the girls' school at Barcelona, where he went to see three little girls whose guardian he was supposed to be. One of the youngest, about eleven years old, handed over to him, on each visit, several letters, which he carried away.

These three little girls were French, being the daughters of Mme. M. The "Merry Widow" used to pass on any information that she obtained to her son, who wrote it to his young sister, placing it in the middle of his letters, which were never really examined, when it was seen that they were letters from a brother to a little sister at school.

GETTING A "BEAD" ON A HUN



This machine gun operator is care-

fully aiming a Lewis gun at a raiding Gotta. It takes a dead shot to bring down one of the birds when it flies high.

WHILE OVER THERE HE GETS DIPLOMA OVER HERE

Knoxville, Tenn.—Although Clay Barber, Knoxville lad, is "over there," a formal presentation of a diploma to him as the only boy graduate of the Carter High school occurred here. Patrons attending the school's exercises beheld the seat of the only boy graduate draped with Old Glory.

OUR GREAT TASK

By Herbert Hoover.

If you could stand in the middle of Europe today and survey the land to its borders, you would discover its whole population of 400,000,000 human beings short of food. Millions of people in Poland, Finland, Serbia, Armenia and Russia are dying of starvation and other millions are suffering from too little food. Our Allies and the neutrals are living on the barest margins that will support life and strength.

This, the most appalling and dreadful thing that has come to humanity since the dawn of civilization, is to me the outstanding creation of German militarism. The Germans themselves are not the worst sufferers. They are extorting at the cannon's mouth the harvests and cattle of the people they have overrun, leaving them in desolation. If the war were to cease tomorrow, the toll of actual death from starvation within the German lines would double or treble the 5,000,000 of 5,000,000 of men who have been actually killed by Germany and her allies in arms. The 10,000,000 people in occupied Belgium and Northern France would have died of starvation had it not been for us and the Allies.

We must build our food resources to stand ready for any demands upon us by the Allies. It is of no purpose to us to send millions of our best to France if we fail to maintain the strength of their men, women and children on our lines of communication. This United States is the last reservoir of men, the last reservoir of ships, the last reservoir of munitions which the Allied world must depend if Germany is to be defeated and if we are to be free men.

Now is the time to eat and to preserve home grown products. Perishable fruits are coming on the market, the gardens are making available daily supplies of food that will take the place of the commercial canned articles that are needed for shipment abroad. Sugar has been made available for home canning purposes and the supply is good at the present time. The home garden and the canning of its products means more this year than it ever did before because it will play a very important part in keeping the fighting forces supplied with the kind of food they need at the time they need it most.

America expects every civilian to do his or her duty in the same spirit as she expects each soldier when the command comes, "TO GO OVER THE TOP" without turning to see if his neighbor had gone first.

We have often quoted that old verse, "Gather yerr roses while ye may," and we can well now characterize it to "gather your vegetables," for by so doing we can accomplish great good.

"We stand behind our boys in France and we will not call it a sacrifice but a privilege to do our bit toward feeding them Over There."—Emma V. Milliken.

Conserve, reserve and preserve all of these fine fruits and vegetables that are now within your reach; you will need them the coming winter.

USE POTATOES INSTEAD OF BREAD

Bread Must Be Saved—Potatoes Contain the Same Nutrient.
How many potatoes are you eating? This is a question the Food Administration wants every loyal American to ask himself or herself. Strange as it may seem, the eating of potatoes at this time is a practical war service,

according to a recent Food Administration bulletin, which points out that this nation now has a large potato surplus on hand and that this valuable food, unless eaten within the next two months, will be lost through sprouting and rotting. By eating of potatoes liberally, every family can save a substantial amount of other food, particularly of wheat. By eating up the surplus of potatoes the nation will also prevent serious loss to the potato producer, who needs to be encouraged to grow maximum crops during the coming year.

"Domestic science experts have figured that: One ordinary baked potato equals in nourishment one thick slice of wheat bread.

"Potatoes at one and one-half to two cents a pound have more food value than bread at ten cents a loaf.

"Potatoes are healthful. They improve the general tone of the system by their wholesome action on the digestive organs. They are easiest on the stomach of all vegetable foods. They are easy on the kidneys because of the minimum of nitrogen they contain. They are easy on the intestines because of the tenderness and small proportion of their cellulose and the fine division of starch.

"Potatoes are valuable in the diet of the sick. They can be eaten with benefit by people suffering from dyspepsia, anemia, diabetes, Bright's disease, cardiac affections, intestinal troubles, constipation, hyperacidity, arthritis, gout, liver complaints, etc.

"Always serve potatoes with meat," concludes the Food Administration bulletin. "Never serve bread and potatoes."

Saves Man From Keokuk, Iowa.

Fort Madison, Ia.—N. J. Bever, manager of the Fort Madison Produce and Storage company, is home from the Augustana hospital in Chicago, where he gave up some of his blood in a transfusion operation in order that his brother, M. C. Bever of Keokuk, might live.

The operation was successful and it has been announced that the Keokuk man will live, although it may be necessary to furnish him with a little additional blood to aid his own. Other members of the family have agreed to furnish this if it is needed. Mr. Bever has been suffering for years with a bad case of anaemia.

The local man declares he feels no worse for his experience aside from a soreness in his left arm, from which member the transfusion was made.

WIGRICH ITEMS

Miss Evelyn Tobey returned home Sunday from a two weeks visit at Albany with relatives.

Miss Mildred Manning of Independence spent several days with Miss Evelyn Tobey.

Mrs. Hartman of near Independence spent the day Tuesday with her daughter and family, Mrs. Ralph Porterfield.

Mr. and Mrs. McComas moved the last of the week to Highland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tann, late of Grants Pass, visited his sister, Mrs. George DeForest and father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tann, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George DeForest, Mr. and Mrs. James Tann and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tann all picniced at the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tann near Albany on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning of Independence were calling at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stratton on Tuesday evening.

Christian Church Services

The subject of the pastor's sermon at the morning service will be, "Are We Christians or Church Members."

In the evening the service flag will be dedicated and there will be a special program. All patriotic people are specially invited.

H. Tuttle, Pastor.

Baptist Church Services

Rev. W. B. Stewart of McMinnville, Associational Pastor for Baptist churches, will conduct services Sunday, both morning and evening. The general public are invited to attend.

THE ATTACK ON HENRY FORD

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not his worst crime in the eyes of the professional "patriots," who, as Johnson well said in his dictionary, choose "patriotism as the last resort of scoundrels."

Henry Ford's unforgivable crime is the fact that he advocates Government ownership of railroads and other natural monopolies.

Their fight, however, will be in vain. Patriotism is not the monopoly of gentlemen who are serving their Government on a basis of 500 per cent or 1000 per cent profit.

Wall Street gamblers and profiteers will not blacken the character of Henry Ford, who worked for peace while there was hope of peace and who works only for his Nation's victory now.

You need no explanation of these attacks on Ford by men who call themselves patriots.

You know the brand of patriotism that steals fifty millions from the Government and gives fifty thousand to the Red Cross.

You know the brand of patriotism that buys the workmen's labor and sells the workman his food and always arranges it so that the amount he gets paid for his work is barely enough to pay for what he must eat in order to work again the next day.

Today think over the case of Henry Ford. Don't forget that what applies to Henry Ford applies equally to every other man who has ever said a good word for the workman, who ever opposed the theory that a few private individuals should exploit the people of this country and own the public properties of the country.

The profiteering monopolists' day is soon to end; lucky if they escape in possession of what they have already stolen. And they know it—much to their bitterness.

WHEN THE BOYS COME HOME

(By Tennyson J. Daft.)

When Johnny comes marching home again, 'twill be almighty fine to have him rise at half past four and go to bed at nine; He'll never care to go down town to roam our village small, temptation will not bother him for he'll have seen it all.

"GARDEN OF ALLAH" TO BE AT ISIS SUNDAY NIGHT

"The Garden of Allah," a twelve-part pictureization of Robert Hichens' famous novel by the same name comes to the Isis Sunday night, July 21. A cast headed by Helen Ware, thousands of super-numeraries, several hundred Arabs, caravans of camels, and entire streets built of stone in exact imitation of desert towns of the Sahara are but items in this massive motion picture spectacle.

There is not a scene and not a subtitle in the photoplay that is foreign to the book, "The Garden of Allah." From beginning to ending the wonderful atmosphere and plot of Robert Hichens' work is retained in every detail. There are many wonderful lighting effects, many colorful scenes, and the photography is clear-cut and beautiful. Among the more thrilling situations in the drama can be named the desert sandstorm; the charge of the Bedouins upon a defenseless caravan; the fight at night in The Street of the Dancers; the meeting between Boris and Captain Trevignac, and the forecast of the sand diviner.

The scenes in the garden of Allah are exceptional, for exclusive permission was granted to film the gardens of the Santa Barbara Mission, which are startling in their beauty and grandeur.

The story of "The Garden of Allah" is a particularly strong one. Domini Enfielden, when his mother went away and her father died cursing religion, went to Beni-Mora, an oasis near the African desert of Sahara in an endeavor to find peace—to forget her many sorrows. There the woman of 32 years meets a stranger—a man of mystery. Their friendship finally ripens into love and they are married.

Finally Domini finds out who her husband really is. Then comes her sacrifice, a wonderful one and the return of conscience to her husband. Helen Ware is given every opportu-

ity for strong emotional work in her character of Domini Enfielden. She is supported by Thomas Santschi as Boris Androvsky. The deep and abiding faith and loyalty of the man for the woman, the doors of golden hope and happiness which swing open only to be ruthlessly closed at the last; the renunciation and the self-sacrifice of the woman, are but details in the warp and woof of a love story that for vividness and reality will compare with any love theme of the age.

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- PELTS
- WOOL
- FURS
- MOHAIR
- CASCARA BARK
- VEAL
- PORK
- BEEF
- POULTRY
- BUTTER
- EGGS
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