HEALTH AT FRONT IS ABOVE AVERAGE

Typhoid No Longer Feared. Although Mumps and Measles Cause Inconvenience.

MEN KEPT FIT FOR WAR

British System Relegates to Duties in Rear All Who Are Not In Prime Condition-Number of Wounded Grows.

BY WILL IRWIN. (Copyright, 1915, by the New York Tribune, Published by Arrangement.) BOULOGNE - SUR - MER, June 8 .-Heaven be praised for temporizing mercies! There is a lull just now along the great western line. When the second battle of Ypres was raging this



ing trenches, to niping and to attacks on minor positions, we are get-Will Irwin. ting only the normal "wastage" of trench warfare and

the sick which the army has ever with it.

Considering the hundreds of thousands which the British have arrayed in Northern Prance, the sick rate is low. Britain has to thank for this the Royal Army Medical Corps, which is of all departments in the British army perhaps the best managed and most efficient just now. Prevention of discase on the line is the first canon of the medical creed. Catch him early, cure him up and send him back as soon as he is in shape—such is the rule they follow.

Shanks, which the tight puttees of the British uniform show off to disadvantage. He wears a khaki turban, with the end floating down his back, and he has a dignity which nothing in the world can shake. The meanest among them walks like a king.

By way of Oriental contrast, you may meet next a squad of French Turcos, in Zouave uniform. Then there are the British, in uniform khaki, with those variations which mark off English and Irish from Scotch and Weish. A strangely mixed squad stands at airention or loafs at ease along the edge of the dock.

Typhoid Given Little Trouble. There have been a few minor epi-demics, which are over for the present

However, it arises from an entirely distinct bacillus, and inoculation for true typhoid does nothing to prevent it. Fortunately, it is not severe. It causes only about 1 per cent of mortality. Fortunately, again, it does not grip an army like true typhoid; it has not the same virulent rush of infection. A new type of "para" has appeared this Spring. The bacteriologists in the hospitals distinguish the two diseases by calling them "para A" and "para B." Four or five men have died here of "para" since last Autumn; and that, with the one who died of true typhoid, is the total score of a disease which was the scourge of old armies, which caused more deaths in our Spanish war than did Spanish bulour Spanish war than dld Spanish bullets. Inoculation for typhoid fever appears to have proved fully as successful as vaccination for smallpox.

Mumps and Measles Troublesome.

Mumps curiously, made a great deal of trouble in the cold, wet weather of this bad Spring. Then, for a time there was a deal of measles. The most disgusted man I have seen in the British army was a Colonel of 50 invalided back with measles. "I went out to face bullets," he said, "and I got a baby's disease." Fortunately, both of these epidemics are long under control.

This is an old town, grown up about a small harbor, dominated by a hill. On that hill Julius Caesar set and fortified his field headquarters when he invaded Britain and "cleaned up" Western Gaul. It became a permanent Roman camp; the fortifications which Ceasar pet up grew in time to a city wail, with bastions, loopholes and a citadel. These Western seaport cities of France preserve, generally, but few of their old monuments. Generation after generation, from Caesar the has spared the city wall. It remains intact, unbreached, setting off Mumps and Measles Troublesome.

have been battle-fields. But, strangely, time has spared the city wail. It remains intact, unbreached, setting off the old city from the new. Its greatest height is perhaps 30 feet. About it now runs a broad park, and in these days of luxuriant June it is tufted with red and white valerian.

On one side is a public lawn tennis court, where officers on leave, Red Cross men and we correspondents keep ourselves "fit" in these comparatively ourselves "fit" in these comparatively dult days. Our backstop on one side is that antique wall.

Allies Mix Little, Socially. The British have come, to take possession of that part of the city which lies closest to their warilke activities, Besides the eternal business of patching up thousands and thousands of wounded, other affairs of the British army which it is not discreet to men-tion have their focus here. So the town lodges bundreds of officers, of Red Cross workers, both male and temale; of military chauffeurs and am-bulance drivers, and it billets thousands of soldiers who assist in all these

Jones; he may learn that Smith has gone the way of good soldiers, and it is a conventionality of this war not to mention the dead. The talk is largely technical—of the running time of trains, the movement of this battallon or that, of new seroplane designs, of new German tricks.

Extremes meet curiously out here. The one event is the arrival of the daily boat bringing passengers and newspapers from England. As the hour approaches, every disengaged pricon

approaches, every disengaged p rion seems to rise and drift toward the

docks.

There are Ghurkas of the British army. Little, stout fellows, with faces like peasant Japanese. They wear broad hats, like sombreros, cocked up at one side. Also, there may be a detachment of Sikhs, the most picturesque troops on the western front. They have bearded, brown faces, usually classical in outline. One sees 20 Olympian Joves in every Sikh company. Only, the bodies below are not Greek at all. Your Sikh is slim, meager. He



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tention or loafs at ease along the edge of the dock. They are the bearers for the hospital trains and boats.

There have been a few minor epidemics, which are over for the present at least. Typhoid fever, that old scourge of armies, troubles the medicobut fittle, thanks to inoculation, which, though not compulsory in the British army, is all but universal. Up to the time when I last inquired only one properly inoculated man had died of typhoid fever in this hospital district since the war began. "Para" typhoid has been a little more troublesome. As the physicians explain it to me, "para" typhoid resembles true measles or as varioloid resembles true measles or as var Uniforms and Accents Jumbled.

WOMAN SLAYER PUNISHED

First of Sex Found Guilty in Los

CENTRALIA, Wash., June 26,—(Special.)—St. John's day was celebrated Tuesday night by the Toledo Maxonz with an open meeting, at which delegations from the Mossyrock, Silver Creek, Winlock, Vader and Cnehalis lodges were entertained. A social seasion and programme of entertainment followed the meeting.

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sands of soldiers who assist in all these sectivities.

Now, the Briton is not by nature a "mixer." He is too shy. He doesn't know how. Travel the length and breadth of the British Islea, in peace times at least, and you will scarce make ar acquaintance on the trains. Set him down in a foreign city, and he pursues his business aloof from the inhabitants. The Frenchman, too, has bits reserves. Though in France a whole train compartment will make acquaintance during the first hour of the journey, the Frenchman is chary of taking you into his home or his life.

The consequence is that, although the Allies here are working together with mutual esteem, they mix, socially, like off and water. The high town within the wails is still French, more French than it has been for a certury, what with the disappearance of the tourist. Part at least of the lew town is entirely British.

There is, however, a close and intimate contact with "the line," reached by the bundreds of fast automobiles willice not a purchash their occupants tinged yellow with road dust. Out come officers to refresh themselves and to gosstp. Of personal talk, I find little. An officer just from the line about Smith or

BE LECTURE TOPIC

Arthur M. Geary Studies Conditions in East and Will Bring Message West.

AIM IS TO UPLIFT PRICES

Columbia University Student's Interest in Handling Product Leads to Appointment to Make Lecture Tour.

NEW YORK, June 26 .- A Portland young man, whose interest in the fruit industry has led to his appointment on a special mission to Oregon, Washington and Idaho, is Arthur M. Geary While taking the law course at Co-lumbia University Mr. Geary has been devoting his spare time to studying the fruit markets of New York. Since his graduation on June 1 he has been visiting Boston, Philadelphia, Pitts-burg, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and other large cities to observe mar-ket situations and conditions in those and other large cities to observe market situations and conditions in those places. In the next few months, before beginning the practice of law either in Portland or New York, Mr. Geary will give a series of illustrated lectures throughout the fruitgrowing section of the Pacific Northwest, dealing especially with the public sales system of selling fruit in the East. These lectures represent a new undertaking on the part of the fruit auction companies of North America, who desire to prove to the public the efficiency of the public sales system of selling standardized fruit.

"During the past two years," said Mr. Geary, "I have taken great interest in the study of the fruit markets along Greenwich and Washington streets, where millions of dollars of California and Pacific Northwest fruit are marketed each year. The 'ins and outs' of the New York end of the markets available of the Mexico. outs' of the New York end of the marketing system are so different from the conception that I had of them, when managing my father's orchard in the Rogue River Valley, that I conceived the idea of preparing an illustrated lecture on some of the phases that struck me as being of peculiar interest to the grower. The rivairy among the receivers and buyers is so keen and the stories and reports sent to the growers are so conflicting that I felt that some of the information that I had gained would be of value.

Truth to Be Told.

Truth to Be Told. "With this purpose, acting as free PROHIBITION IS DEFENDED lance, I visited the offices of the fruit auction companies in search of picture for my lecture. They told me of a National association that was to be formed; and later this organization engaged me to extend my study of the markets to the other principal cities and to go West and tell the growers all that I had learned that would be of interest to them. They said that their business had been studiously miswhole truth and nothing but the truth and no

will find necessary to consign to East-ern markets, the auction companies be-lieve, can be sold advantageously through their system of public sales."

EVILS OF OPIUM

Picturesque Proclamation Under Official Seal Explains Persistent Policy.

No Consideration Given to Argument That Injustice Is Done to Those Dependent on Traffic for Livelihood.

nations and the well-intentioned publi-city given by Chinese and foreigners, an agreement was made with Great city given by Chinese and foreigners, an agreement was made with Great Britain in the third year of Hsuan Tung for the prohibition of the Im-

portation of foreign opium and the cessation of the cultivation of native opium within a certain time limit. A persistent policy has been pursued with regard to the prohibition of cultivation, smoking and trading in opium; and as a result of it many provinces have succeeded in completely destroying all poppy plants; consequently transportation of opium into these provinces has been prohibited. If this opportunity were seized completely to bands the opium evil, the country would be put on a strong footing.

"This is why the order was repeated at the beginning of the inauguration of the Republic. But owing to the lack of discipline and the fact that both desperadoes and unruly recruits were mostly opium smokers, the evil sprang again into being. The ignorant people, seeing profit in the opium business, defied the law, which up until then was in force. This was most regretable.

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"Some people urge that since the opium trade affects the livelihood of many persons, it is unjust to use arbitrary methods for the prohibition of poppy planting. They forget, however, that the evil of opium is like a dangerous ulcer that sinks deep to the bone and for the cure of which it is better to cut away part of the bone than to patch it up with a piece of flesh taken from another part of the body. Whether the profit in such a

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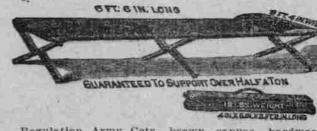
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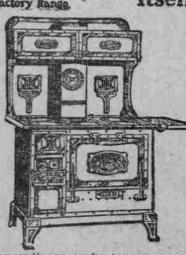
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