

PROMINENT AMERICANS SHARE BURDENS OF ARMIES FIGHTING FOR WORLD DEMOCRACY

Famous Liberty Motor and Other Important American Inventions Are Fast Becoming Factors in Winning the War for Uncle Sam—Red Tape Blamed for Delay in Getting Troop Equipped for War.



Major J. C. Vincent shares with Major Hall the distinction of creating the famous Liberty motor that is expected to prove an important factor in winning the war for Uncle Sam. Major Vincent declares that the Liberty motor is the most powerful engine ever manufactured. Though he refused to state his horsepower in definite figures, he did go so far as to say that it is far more powerful than any other motor ever constructed or even contemplated. Contrary to common belief about the new motor, it is not being used for automobiles, Major Vincent said. It is only being installed in aeroplanes, and in only those aeroplanes that are being sent abroad, not in those used for practice flights in the United States.

Colonel Edwin Jadin, of the National Army, now in command of one of the engineer regiments in France, disregarded War Department red tape, formalities and regulations to get troops over to France fully equipped for work. The record made by Colonel Jadin in getting his men speedily ready for service and the efficiency of his work has already been the subject of widespread comment in Army circles. It develops now that the reason for his success was primarily due to the fact that he ignored red tape incumbrances which are required by the present system. It will be for Secretary Baker to decide whether Colonel Jadin is to escape the restraints which are commended for his initiative and his success.

GOTHAM'S AMUSEMENT WORLD HAS PLENTY OF EXCITEMENT THESE STIRRING WAR DAYS

On the opening night of the season in Chicago, with Paris, the Italian tenor, Campanini, was in command. He will also be heard, and this will offer the first opportunity to hear Carolina Lazzari, a brilliant young American contralto, who is touring with the Metropolitan, and who will sing "Lodoletta," at the Metropolitan, and "Isabella," at the Lexington, will prove greater masterpieces than the time-worn and time-honored "Bacchic Chivalry" remains to be found out.

RAINFALL NOT EFFECTED

SUN SPOTS DISCUSSED BY MOUNT WILSON ASTRONOMER. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—The frequency of spots on the sun has nothing to do with the amount of rainfall in California, says the conclusion of Dr. Charles E. St. John, of the Mount Wilson Solar Observatory after he had shown to an audience in the Native Sons' Hall a comparison of the sun spots and rainfall records of the last 70 years.

"What We Mean By History Is The Revelation OF Man's Nature In Action And Intelligence."

By JOSEPH MACQUEEN BOSANQUET



Leon Trotsky, Author of 'The Bolshevik Revolution'

It is significant of the lightning changes of fortune, to know that six months ago our author, Leon Trotsky, was in New York City, where he earned an uncertain living by free-lance newspaper work. In those days, when he disapproved of the policy of the newspaper managers whom he was employed, he sought other employment.

Today, Trotsky is the Bolshevik Minister of Foreign Affairs for Russia, a not sudden revolution. Therefore, his book in which he gives his statement of beliefs, is of unusual importance. What is the result of the revolution there may have taken place another Russian revolution in which Bolsheviks and Trotsky have both been active. And there remains Trotsky may endure as a bigger historical figure than ever. Who knows? Anyhow his book is a sensational one and his message is decidedly worth reading.

An introduction is furnished by Lincoln Steffens, in which Trotsky is spoken of as a Socialist and an orthodox Marxist. In the 291 pages of his message, Trotsky writes well and intelligently, however much one may disagree with him as to the soundness and coherence of his views. In the 11 chapters, Trotsky reviews recent occurrences and especially Socialist activities in different European countries. The Balkan Question, Austria-Hungary, the War Against Czarism, the War Against the West, the War of Defense, What Have Socialists to Do With Capitalist Wars?, the Collapse of the International, Socialist Opportunism; the Decline of the Revolutionary Spirit; Working Class Imperialism; and the Revolutionary Epoch.

Trotsky makes the point clear that he and his party are quite prepared to fight to retain the privileges they have won. He thinks that the forces of production created by capitalism have outgrown the limits of Nation and state and that the whole world has become a new economic workshop. The different parts of which are inseparably connected with each other. He then argues along Socialistic line, internationally. Assuming that the present war is at bottom a result of the forces of production against the political form of Nation and state, he predicts the economic of the national state as an independent economic unit.

Trotsky insists that the present war is a struggle for life and death between Germany and England, which he really sees as the struggle of the imperialistic division of the world. "What is the key to it all?" Our author says: "The task of the proletariat is to create a far more powerful resistance to the imperialistic division of Europe, as the foundation of the United States of the world. The only way the proletariat can meet the imperialistic policy of the bourgeoisie is to use a practical programme of the day, the Socialistic organization of world economy."

As to our author's own political position, Trotsky writes: "The immediate urgent task of the Russian Social Democracy to which the author belongs, is the fight against Czarism. In our fight against Czarism, we have looked for help from Hapsburg or Hohenzollern militarism and we are not looking for it now. The present struggle signifies the collapse of the National States."

Paris Women Busy Doing Their Own Sewing.

French Fingers in Combination With French Taste Can Accomplish Wonders for Soldiers.

Many French women who've always worn frocks made by expert couturiers are handling scissors and needles for the first time—and achieving presentable costumes for themselves.

For this reason many American women are "shopping in Paris" for comforts for their men at the front. Many American stores now have installed the "shopping in Paris service."

Mohair Replaces Serge in Women's Garments.

Simple Frocks Gain in Fashion as War Progresses.

They starched Eton collars and cuffs which had a quaint little boy suggestion look very well with navy blue mohair frocks of simple, tailored style.

The Fight for the Republic.

By G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York City.

It was Dr. Johnson who, as a historian of acknowledged merit, was asked to write a chapter on "Gibberish," for additions to Cruesey's "Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World."

Adams Bede.

By Laura J. Wylie, 73 cents. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York City.

Part of the "modern students' library" issued by the above publishers, and in quality fully up to the high standard of this series.

The Brown Brethren.

By Patrick McGill, \$1.50. George H. Doran Co., New York City.

A rollicking, talkative novel of the big war in France, a story that has been graciously contributed to the book. The introduction is by Lord Northcliffe, and there are tributes from Theodore Roosevelt, Thomas Bubb, alias Spudhoe, and Fitzgerald.

The Evergreen Tree.

By Percy Mackaye, \$1.50. D. Appleton & Co., New York City.

Here we have, for reproduction, a masque of Christmas-time for community singing and acting. The literary work is excellent and has been done with the finest taste. All the costumes used in the play can be made at home, it is stated. Permissible to produce this masque, or to read it in public, can be made to the masque organizer, 23 West Thirty-second street, New York City.

Daughters of Presidents.

Mrs. William McCadoo, youngest daughter of President Wilson, showed her patriotism by selling Liberty bonds.

Some of the topics discussed are: "Will Jesus Survive?" "Christian Lead-

ers of his death except that he was due to appendicitis, have been received.