

TRAGEDY OF GERMAN YOUTH IS DESCRIBED

Blight of Starvation Said to Cause Death Harvest.

FORAGERS GLEAN FOOD

Countryside Scoured for Miles Around Illegally but Authorities Wink at It.

BY A. G. GARDINER.

Stricken by a blight. It is revealed in the pucker of brows, the lusterless, uncertain eye, the anemic faces, the bony legs, the dry, cracked, flabby skins, the swollen abdomens, the universal air of exhaustion. It is a generation which has never known what a sufficiency of food means.

Children Are Starved. For five years—that is, for almost the whole of the life they remember—they have been starved. They were never worse starved than during the nine months blockade that followed the war. They are still starving—a whole nation of children. The fortunate ones die (50 per cent more infants died in Berlin alone during 1919, a year of "peace," than in 1913); the rest are starting their life with a physical and mental inefficiency that will make life a burden. The "English sickness" alone (rickets), the result mainly of the post-war blockade, has swept the child life like a plague.

In Leipzig there are 8000 tubercular children; in Cologne, 10,000; in Berlin, 30,000. The mortality among small children has reached 25 per cent. The mortality of older children and young people is also high. In the 15th public school of Berlin, out of 650 children examined, 306 had no heating in their homes, 370 had no heating in their homes, 341 had not a drop of milk from week-end to week-end. The number of children who have died of tuberculosis and hunger in Germany had reached a million in April last. These are not facts that are in doubt. They are established, not by the German authorities only, but by every outside investigation, whether American or English.

England Gives No Help. Against such a sea of misery the utmost that could be done would be like a drop in a bucket. What is being done is being done by America, mainly, by Sweden and other countries. Apart from the work of the Quakers, England is not solving itself by touching the children of the desolated enemy. Even the splendid work of the "save-the-children" fund—except for a few trifles at Leipzig and other places—does not reach here. It passes on to Austria, to Bohemia, to Poland. Broadly speaking, Germany is left out. I inquired the cause. It is this: For every \$1 raised by the fund, the British government adds 15—but not for German relief. And so the fund, anxious to get its \$1 for \$1, spends the money where its power is doubled. Oh, brave British government! I see from the papers here that it is going to spend three millions to put its children in red coats again. It is a fitting accompaniment to the organized starvation of its late enemy's children.

Non-Sectarian Meeting Called. Held under auspices of the Falls View mission of Oregon City, the annual non-sectarian mass meeting of that city will take place next Tuesday at the grounds of some member of the mission. The principal speaker of the day will be Rev. John Oval, pastor of the Temple Methodist church of Spokane.

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LEGION DELAYS MEETING

SESSION TO BE TUESDAY, NOT TOMORROW.

Gathering Postponed Because of Inability to Obtain Use of Library Hall.

Postponement of the meeting night of Portland post of the American Legion to next Tuesday instead of tomorrow was announced yesterday, due to the impossibility of obtaining library hall tomorrow night. This will be one of the most important meetings of the year, for delegates will be nominated for the state convention of the legion to be held at Astoria July 30 and 31 and August 1.

Commander Conville of the post, has the largest voting body at the convention at this session to insure a selection of delegates representative of the post as a whole. The election will be held Monday night, July 13. There are to be 23 delegates selected by Portland post, which will have the largest voting body at the convention of any city in Oregon. Portland post will not have enough votes to control the convention, in which 37 posts will be represented. Under a ruling by William B. Pollett, state commander, interpreting the state constitution of the legion, each post is entitled to at least one delegate and one more delegate for each 100 paid-up members, or fraction thereof.

The new home of Portland post is the Flatiron building, Sixth and Ash streets, where clubrooms are being fixed up for the ex-service men. Though post offices have been located there already, the city employment bureau, which occupies part of the second floor to be taken over by the legion will not vacate in time to permit formal opening July 15. The clubroom opening is now expected about August 2.

BENEFIT TO BE JULY 20

Open-Air Vaudeville to Be Given for Home for Aged.

The annual open-air vaudeville given for the benefit of the Home for the Aged, Mount St. Joseph, East Thirtieth and Stark streets, will be held on the grounds of the institution Tuesday evening, July 20.

The tickets are now being sold, and it is hoped that the former successes of this fund will be continued. The following are the names of the men of the committee on arrangements: Michael Driscoll, John McIntee, H. Gilbaugh, J. Callaghan and Fred Harter.

Warm Springs Project Lauded. SALEM, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—Charles B. Batchelder, secretary of the Warm Springs irrigation district, has written to Percy Cupper, state engineer, to the effect that the project

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In addition six machines that had been stolen previous to June were recovered, making the number of machines recovered two greater than the number stolen. Lieutenant Thatcher reported the bureau had made 43 arrests in June. The offenders were fined a total of \$520 and received an aggregate of 626 days in jail.

The arrests included three persons charged with larceny of an automobile, three charged with the larceny of automobile accessories and charged with violating the state motor law. Lieutenant Thatcher praised the work of the auto theft bureau of the Automobile club of Los Angeles, Cal., and the auto theft bureau of Seattle. Each of these bureaus recovered one automobile which had been stolen in Portland.

Physician Locates In La Grande.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—Dr. E. G. Kirby, who recently purchased an interest in the Grand Ronde hospital from Dr. R. E. L. Holt, formerly of Portland, has moved to the city from his lower valley home. Dr. Kirby has practiced medicine for 20 years and will take up active practice here immediately.

Chehalis Women Return.

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 3.—(Special.)—Mrs. G. W. Kennicott and Mrs. Dan W. Bush, who arrived home early today from the annual meeting of the state federation of women's clubs at Wenatchee, report a most interesting and profitable session. They represented the St. Helens club of Chehalis.

Brothers Meet After 28 Years.

For the first time in 28 years, John B. Easter, deputy county clerk in charge of naturalization work, met his brother, A. C. Easter, former mayor of Bartlesville, Okla., yesterday, when the latter arrived in Portland, accompanied by his wife and children, for a visit.

Militia Chief Named.

WASHINGTON, July 3.—Colonel Jesse McCl Carter, who served as chief of the militia bureau throughout the war, has been appointed to that position pending the selection of a permanent head under provisions of the new army reorganization bill.

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JURY BLAMES DEAD MAN

Proper Precautions Not Taken When Going Into Vinegar Vat.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—A coroner's jury today attributed the death of Frank W. Dutton, who perished yesterday in a vinegar vat, to his own negligence or over-

CONFIDENCE. The formal verdict of the jury was:

"Frank W. Dutton came to his death by not taking proper precautions and not following instructions previously given him by the superintendent of the Hood River Apple Vinegar company before going into a vat to clean same. Death was caused by being overcome by fumes and gas of which deceased had previous knowledge, and that immediate death was caused from drowning in liquid or semi-liquid in bottom of the vinegar tank."

AMENDMENT TO BE SPOUGHT.

SALEM, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—Amendment of the present law providing for the transfer of patients from one state institution to another probably will be sought at the next session of the legislature, according to a decision reached at a meeting of the state board of control today. At the present time patients are transferred with a formal court hearing and can be held only for the term of their original commitment. The amendment probably will provide that previous to making a transfer the patient shall be taken before a court and legally recommitted.

HOSPITAL POPULATION LARGEST.

SALEM, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—The population at the state hospital here reached its high mark today with a total of 1741 patients. During the month of June 76 patients were received, this being the largest number ever committed in any one month.

SALON NOT TO CELEBRATE.

SALEM, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—There will be no July 4 celebration in Salem and hundreds of residents are planning on spending the day at Woodburn and other towns in the county.

LEAGUE WORTH TRYING

OPINION HELD BY AMERICAN HOME FROM EUROPE.

Speaker Presents Facts Obtained on Trip of Inquiry Lasting Several Months.

"I believe we should ratify the league of nations covenant, but I do not believe we should do so with our eyes closed to the importance of the action," said Charles Upson Clark, noted lecturer, speaking before a large number of persons who attended the regular luncheon of the Civic club yesterday at the Benson hotel.

"It is absurd to suppose," he said, "that the league will bring about harmonious conditions throughout the world, eliminate discord and unite the great nations in a spirit of brotherly love immediately. In the course of a generation the league will be of enormous good."

Recently returned to the United States from a several months' trip to Europe, made to investigate conditions in the central European nations, Mr. Clark presented facts which were interesting because of first-hand and authoritative knowledge. While in Trieste and Fiume he studied closely the effect of D'Annunzio's occupation upon the people and in the latter city was fortunate enough to secure an interview with the famous post-warrior himself.

"The Italian government had just requested the revolutionists to depart from Fiume, taking his troops with him, to make space for the advent of a body of regular Italian soldiers. D'Annunzio told me that he had taken this request of the government to the town council of Fiume for the council's consent or refusal. The council immediately decided to permit D'Annunzio to remain in the city." At the conclusion of the address Mr. Clark was asked concerning the

LEAGUE OF NATIONS, and gave his opinion of it.

"The league will benefit humanity in time, but not immediately after its inauguration," he said. "First of all, it is an experiment, and it is eminently worth trying. I sincerely believe that within a generation the league will have begun to accomplish great things."

Mr. Clark and his wife, who but a few days ago returned from Paris, will leave for Seattle tomorrow morning, where he will deliver a lecture before students of the University of Washington, as well as members of the Seattle College club. Mr. Clark is the son of Kate Upson Clark, now lecturing under the auspices of the Ellison-White Chautauque system, and Edward P. Clark, formerly managing editor of the Springfield Republican.

CENTRALIA HAS THREE ROBBERIES.

CENTRALIA, Wash., July 3.—(Special.)—Three burglaries were reported to the police Thursday night, the garage of C. M. Hipes and the blacksmith shop of Caleb Berg being entered. An automobile was stolen from the garage. In addition to the burglaries six arrests were made by the police on charges of drunkenness. Twenty-five Elks have been sworn in as special police to preserve order during the city's three days' celebration, which opened today under B. F. O. E. auspices.

Salem Gets Its Prize.

SALEM, Or., July 3.—(Special.)—A special grand prize of \$200 and a beautiful silver trophy as second prize have been received for the float in the show parade recently held in Portland. Presentation of the prizes was made to C. B. Clancy, King King of the Cherrians, who returned here from Portland today.

Milk Price Goes Up.

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 3.—(Special.)—Milk at the local condenser was made to \$2.50 a hundred for the first half of July. This is an increase of 20 cents a hundred over the price paid during the latter half of June.

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The "Outing" Oxford Bag. Hand-sewed frame; sizes 18 and 20-inch; outside leather, smooth grain cowhide. 18-Inch Bag; regular price \$40.00. Special Sale Price \$32.50. 20-Inch Bag; regular price \$40.00. Special Sale Price \$35.00.

A Few of the Many Specials. \$30.00 Bag, special sale price only \$23.50. \$43.00 Brown Bag, special sale price \$32.00. \$35.50 Tan Bag, special sale price \$29.50. \$55.00 Black Bag, 18-inch, special at \$45.00. \$50.00 Black Bag, special sale price \$42.00. \$47.00 Brown Bag, special sale price \$42.00. \$36.00 Black Bag, 18-inch, special at \$29.50.

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