

# FRENCH GIRLS WON BY U. S. BOYS, BUT MARRIAGES FEW

## Birth Certificate Required of All Americans Involves Delay and Military Moves Are Made.

### AUTHORITIES HAVE FROWNS

#### Despite Setbacks Now, Many French Belles Will Come to U. S. When Kaiser Falls, Said.

That the course of true love runs smoothly for American soldiers in France is attested by no less authority than the Spiker, the official paper edited and published by members of the Eighteenth Railway Engineers in France, in which regiment many Portland men are included—but the nuptials are another matter. The editor of the Spiker explains this little detail in the following article:

"Getting married in France is much more difficult for Yankee soldiers than getting engaged. Romances there are many and plighted vows there are some, but marriages there are very few.

**Authorities Discourage Romances**  
"There are many obstacles thrown in the path of the 'soldat American' who would take unto himself a French girl as a wife. First, there are the American authorities who are frowning upon romance. They insist that this is a man's war and the soldier's energies should be wholly devoted to the flag. While not absolutely refusing to give their consent to some marriages, they have done all in their power to discourage the project until, at least, 'apres la guerre.'

"But the greatest stumbling block the would-be benedicta have encountered is the French law requiring that birth certificates of the contracting parties be submitted with application for the marriage license. No union American-French is possible without them. At best this delays the ceremony. By the time the bridegroom sends to his States for the needed document and receives it, more than likely his regiment has been moved out of the bride's community. Permissions are rare and hard to get. Consequently there's generally a French woman left 'waiting at the church' and the wedding bells fall to ring.

**Birth Certificate Is Barrier**  
"The birth certificate barricade has appeared almost insurmountable to some of the woosers in the Eighteenth. At least one of them, having received in turn the coveted 'yes' from the demoiselle, her parents, his skipper and others in authority, encountered the birth certificate ultimatum and sent home 'for the papers.' He lives in San Francisco. He had forgotten about the 1906 fire which destroyed the public records, but the letter from home reminded him of it. He had no birth certificate and never, in this war, will be able to convince the French authorities that he was actually born. He's still single."

"But in war as in peace 'love will find a way,' and despite the obstacles thrown in his path Cupid evidently is determined to draw down his share of

the spoils in the great world conflict now raging.

"It would be idle to estimate the number of 'apres la guerre' promises here are floating around France today. But no inconsiderable per cent of the French belles will confide to you that they have been promised a trip to America and when the Kaiser is licked. Even how they have visions of a cozy flat in Harlem or life on a Montana ranch. Some of these are honest-to-goodness promises and no doubt when the troop ships get through sailing westward the vessels that follow will carry many of France's extra women to become the wives of former American soldiers."



will never forget his first shave in France, seated in an ordinary chair and experiencing the uncertain feeling of one about to be executed.

Mrs. H. S. Walste, 1023 Gantenbein avenue, has received a card from her son, R. A. Walste, announcing his safe arrival in France. Mr. Walste was stationed at Vancouver Barracks for six months with the Fourth Engineers and was then sent to Camp Green and later to Camp Merritt. He left Camp Merritt about a month ago after about five months' engagement in the East. He is with the Second Battalion of the Fourth Engineers. Mr. Walste comes of a family that has given much patriotic service to the country. His grandfather was a Civil War veteran and his father and uncle were both in the Spanish-American war.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Preble have had recent letters from their son, E. W. (Ted) Preble from Rockwell Field, San Diego, where he has just entered the officers' training camp for the aviation. He was formerly with the 36th base hospital at Camp Lewis, but recently secured a transfer to the aviation. Mrs. Preble (Maybell Crawford), a bride of January, left Saturday to join Mr. Preble in San Francisco for a short leave.

Captain Harry B. Ingle, U. S. A., who is with the base-hospital at Camp Lewis, has returned to American lake after passing a few days here last week at the Multnomah.

Allen Jr. and Adams F. Joy, sons of Allen R. Joy, Portland attorney, and grandsons of Mrs. Julia C. LaBarre, are both with Engineers in France, and from recent letters are now thought to be at the front.

## 20 or 30 Hun Planes In Raid Over London

London, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—It is estimated that there were between 20 and 30 German airplanes in the hostile squadron that attacked London and the eastern coast Sunday night and early Monday morning, killing 37 persons and wounding 161, many of them innocent children.

The Gothas approached London by way of the Thames river estuary. It is believed that the Germans lost seven machines, but these figures have not yet been officially confirmed.

The opening is in the side of the neck instead of on top of bottle, its inventor claims will prevent persons taking poison in mistake for medicine.

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President Downs of the Portland Gun club has made arrangements to stage a dinner-dance at Chanticleer Wednesday evening. Shooters and their friends will enjoy a social immediately after the shooting is over.

Mrs. Ada Schilling was compelled to quit shooting after the third event on Tuesday on account of a sick headache.

F. D. Carder, H. J. Loirsch and J. H. Patterson motored down from Vancouver, B. C., to attend the shoot.

Members of the club are doing everything in their power to make the visit of the out-of-town shooters enjoyable. P. J. Holohan took a party of British Columbia shooters over the Columbia highway Sunday afternoon. A number of other members drive the visitors to and from the club every day.

Colonel Ily Everding made several long runs on the "board," but was unable to shatter the blue rocks with his usual skill.

Dr. C. L. Templeton of Seattle broke 75 straight in the first five 15-bird events and dropped the first target in the sixth event. He was sure smashing his targets, but he did not finish as well as he started, although he tied his brother, Frank, for fourth place.

E. G. Hawman and C. B. Handy were off color during Monday's events, neither breaking, but he did not finish as well as he started, although he tied his brother, Frank, for fourth place.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bowker and E. E. Adkins of Heppner were among the new arrivals at the traps.

Dr. A. R. Baker of Vancouver, B. C., was called back home and was forced to quit shooting after the sixth event.

Gladys Reid shattered 134 targets, being high among the fair Dianas. Mrs. Bowker broke 130.

Jim Reid, local professional, was among those present, but he is not shooting, as he is just recovering from an illness.

## Baldwin Leading in O. A. C. Batting List

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 21.—With four members of the baseball squad having a batting average of over 300 and with Captain-coach Baldwin, tall centerfielder and probably the best player on the Aggie nine, topping the list with a batting average of 331, the O. A. C. baseball squad has reached the final of its season with the general team average of .295.

Kreuger came next to Baldwin on the batting average, going to bat eight times and making three hits from an average of .375. Coleman, Beaver star twirler, connected up for five hits in 14 attempts, netting him an average of .357. Lodell, captain-elect for 1919, achieved an average of .324; Hubbard made .281; Rickman, .266; Olsen, .258; Preston, .241; Gurley, .166 and Selberts, .147, with the entire team averaging .295.

## Grapplers Issuing Defies for Matches

Comes Hans Christensen, a welter-weight grappler on the government dredger Colonel P. S. Michie, with a challenge to meet any wrestler in the

Portland shipyards for the benefit of the Red Cross. Judging from Hans' picture, he is built on the "Strangler Smith" style and looks as strong as a topkallant mast.

In this morning's mail also comes a deft from the Supple-Ballin shipyards, which has a wrestler to put up in a Red Cross benefit for money, chalk or marbles, against all comers. Anyone curious to feel the brawny paws of the S-B sink into his torso may call Frank Smith, East 721.

### BOXING

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 21.—(U. P.)—"Sailor" Greb today carried the marks of his hardest ring battle, following his fight with "Soldier" Bartfield at Forbes Field. After losing the first six rounds and pulling it to a draw in the seventh, Bartfield gathered a lot of pep and carried off all honors in the last three.

Racine, Wis., May 21.—(U. P.)—Bob Moha of Milwaukee won a decision over Phil Harrison of Chicago here last night in a quiet 10 rounds.

Memphis, Tenn., May 21.—(U. P.)—Pal Moore took a decision over Earl

Puryear of Denver here last night after eight rounds. They are bantams.

Rockford, Ill., May 21.—(U. P.)—A championship fight to top the Camp Custer-Camp Grant boxing tournament here Thursday was assured today between Rookie Eddie McBoorty of Grant and Mike O'Doud of Custer, claimant of the middleweight crown.

San Francisco, May 21.—Captain of Police Dan O'Brien, who is in charge of a benefit boxing match for the Red Cross Friday evening, today wired Fred Fulton in Seattle, inviting him to meet Willie Meehan in an exhibition bout. A reply is being awaited.

Philadelphia, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—Kid Williams, former bantamweight champion, easily defeated Joe Tuber in a six-round bout at the Olympic Athletic club here last night. He gained the decision in every round.

## Bedient Will Join New York Yankees

New York, May 21.—(U. P.)—Hugh Bedient, Boston's hero in the 1912 world's series, when he defeated the Giants in

the deciding game, is to wear a Yankee uniform. It was announced today.

Bedient, who declined to report to Toledo, has been purchased by the Yankees. It was stated. He will fill the place left vacant by Bob McGraw, who has joined the army.

## Count Seeking to Prove He's Italian

Chicago, May 21.—(I. N. S.)—A 30 page history, drawn from the archives of Berlin and Venice was filed today in federal court by Count James Minotto in his fight to escape internment on a presidential warrant.

The story is intended to establish that Count Minotto is an Italian subject. The government charges that he is an enemy alien.

The record states that the count was born in Berlin, that his father came of a Viennese family and that his mother was a noted German actress.

The count's habeas corpus writ will be heard tomorrow.

Motion pictures have been found useful for testing artificial arms and legs.

# Announcement

The Mutual Creamery Company has purchased the T. S. Townsend Creamery business located at East Seventh and Everett streets, together with all its country plants and stations. The sale includes the trademark, good-will and all fixed assets pertaining to same.

The main office of the company has been moved to the Townsend plant, and the former Mutual location at East Tenth and Burnside streets will be used as a storage and for light manufacturing.

Mr. W. W. Hamilton will continue as manager of the Mutual Portland plant, and will be assisted in the office by Mr. Ed J. Cashin, as sales and credit manager, and L. C. Kramer as territory superintendent, and in the factory by J. Palmore as foreman.

The consolidation of the two businesses includes nearly all of the trained employes of both concerns.

The negotiations between the above parties, that have now terminated, have been pending for several months past, when the T. S. Townsend Creamery Company gave A. P. Henningsen a formal option on its business. Mr. Henningsen in turn sold the Creamery part of the business to the Mutual and the ice cream part to different parties.

It has been reported that the Henningsens are large stockholders in the Mutual Creamery Company and we here wish to correct such report as erroneous, and to say further that no stock is held directly or indirectly by anybody that is engaged in a similar business to ours, also that our company is operating on a Mutual plan, whereby the producer stockholders receive all net earnings over and above 3 per cent on sales, and that our company now has several hundred producer stockholders.

The interest of the Mutual Creamery Company in this transaction has been handled by Mr. A. Jensen, general manager, who came with the company on March 1st, of this year, and who for many years headed the California Central Creamery of San Francisco, and also is the founder of the Jensen Creamery Machinery Company, of Long Island City, New York, and Oakland, Cal.

Mr. A. Jensen decided to cast his lot with his brother, W. F. Jensen, the president of the Mutual, so that the latter could take up important work for the National Council of Defense as director of Commercial Economy and Commissioner for increased crop production for the state of Utah.

Mr. A. Jensen is too well known in the dairy world to require introducing, and the Oregon creamery interests can henceforth look for a progressive programme.

## Mutual Creamery Company

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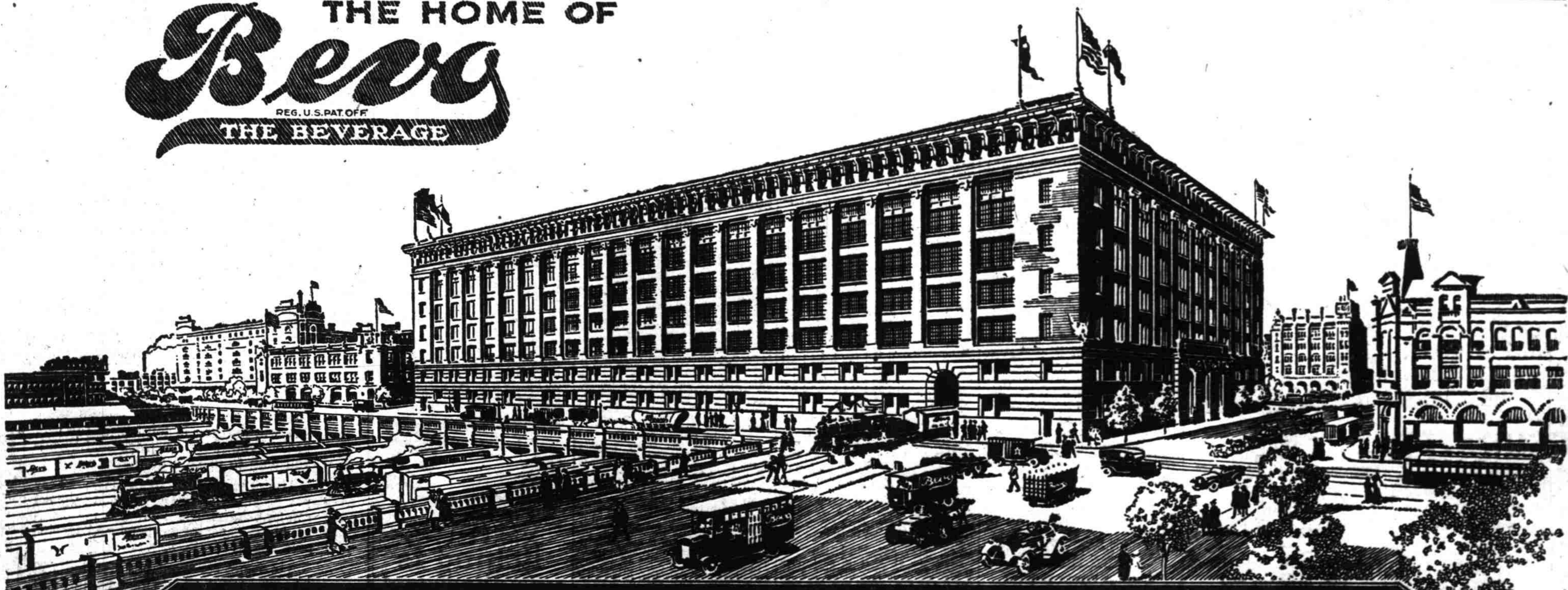
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