

ENGLAND CARES FOR ITS BABIES

MUNITIONS WORKERS ARE AIDED.

Children Left for Day or Week in Special Homes, While Their Mothers Work for the Nation at High Pay.

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BIRMINGHAM, England, March 2.—Sixteen mothers dropped in at the office of a long, single-story building on their way to work in the local munitions factories and left their babies in the care of the matron. And that's all there was to the opening ceremony of the first creche ever operated in Birmingham. The city is too busy making shells to pause for inaugural wind-jamming.

The need for a public day nursery and boarding home for infants and "toddlers" sprang up when hundreds of mothers were called from their homes to back up their men-folks at the front by making shells. But in the rush of munition work people somehow let slide the welfare of the youngsters for over two years.

At last the government became interested and contributed \$4000 for the establishment of the nursery. Local enterprise raised the remaining necessary \$1500, and the corrugated-iron building was put together on the edge of a park in a location accessible to the majority of women workers.

The annual maintenance of the creche is estimated at a little more than \$9000 most of which can be defrayed by the small charge to the mothers for keeping their babies there.

The institution is open to munitionettes' children up to five years. They may be inmates by the day or remain from Monday morning until Saturday night, the mothers being permitted to visit them during their daily rest periods. On Saturday evening the weekly boarders must be taken home for the week-end. All the visitors are bathed as soon as they are admitted and the weekly plan is urged for infants as it obviates the exposure of daily trips and includes the advantage of regular feeding and expert attention.

"Toddlers" after being bathed and dressed in overalls are turned loose to play in the nursery-rooms or the play-yards while the wee ones also swap clothes for the creche uniforms and are placed in cots under the attention of nurses.

Munitions mothers receive high wages, so the rates, which would have been regarded as expensive in peace times, are not deemed to be out of reach of the average worker.

Rates by the day are, for one child, 24 cents and 18 cents additional for each additional child, of the same mother. The Saturday rate is 12 cents for each child. Weekly rates are \$2.04 for one child, \$2.80 for two children, of the same mother; \$3.36 for three and \$3.72 for four.

SCHOOLBOYS BECOME FEARLESS AVIATORS

Youthful Birdmen in the British Service Cool as Veterans in Aerial Work.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN THE FIELD, March 2.—You remember the county fair? Remember the tremor of expectancy in the crowd gathered around the dingy old hot-air balloon as she swelled, oh, so slowly, with the smoke and fumes of the barrel-stave fire?

Will you ever forget the thrill she gave you as she lazily lurched into the air, dragging with her the fellow in the darned but spangled purple tights, the parachute-jump man with

ollied hair plastered down on his forehead? You secretly half hoped he would fall and half feared he would.

And then, at about 1,500 feet, the aeronaut's mad leap, his dead drop of 300 or 500 feet, the slow opening of the parachute and the swinging drift to the ground? Remember?

Suppose you had to leave your job in the office, shop or on the farm, and begin such performances tomorrow. Suppose you had to go up in a balloon, in any and all sorts of weather, to be shot at by artillery and lunged at by hostile aircraft. Suppose you had to leap from burning balloons, or get tossed out of the basket of one while passing through the clouds?

What if America should suddenly find herself in a war and the billboards should say: "Your country needs you." Think you could do these things for her? British boys are doing the little trick every day. Yesterday they were clerking in stores, working in shops, bookkeeping in offices or going to school. Today they are making parachute-leaps from balloons and other more thrilling things still.

Yesterday that lieutenant you find yourself taking to, was a pink-and-white youth at Eton preparing to go to Cambridge. Today he considers fighting duels above the clouds with Germans as much a part of his job as yesterday he considered calculus to be. Yesterday he was a school kid writing essays about flowers. Now he handles a machine-gun like a demon as he hurtles through the sky two miles a minute, or nose-dives after a war-hardened youth like himself whom he is trying to kill.

Here's an example. The incident occurred in the observation balloon section. Two youngsters, carrying out observations over the German defenses, suddenly got a shell through their balloon. It began to fall, slowly at first, then faster. They were about a mile high.

"We're hit and falling!" one of the observers phoned down to the ground. "The hostile gun is at X-32-D-62!"

A moment later the second observer phoned down the position of the hostile battery which had punctured them, but gave the position slightly different.

Then both boys jumped. Their parachutes opened about the same distance down and, not more than 50 feet apart, they were wafled earthward together.

"I'm sorry to note," said the company commander as they entered the hut serving as balloon section telephone central, "that you two gentlemen failed to agree on the location of the hostile battery which brought you down." And though there was a twinkle in his eyes, his voice was severe.

"Sorry, sir," one of the young officers replied with a smart salute, "but perhaps our error was due to the observations being taken at different altitudes."

Throughout the British army one finds boyish-looking officers. And they have again and again proved themselves up like this, when the pinch has come.

Two other young officers while at an altitude of about 4,000 feet found themselves caught in a windstorm before they could be hauled down. Just before reaching earth a violent gale hit the balloon, which pulled the winch on the ground completely over, snapping the wire cable. The sausage went up and off among the clouds like a bubble in a whirlwind.

At a tremendous height the balloon was struck by lightning and set on fire, throwing one of the officers out of the basket. His parachute opened but as the balloon, now falling like a rock, had its rigging tangled up with the lower cords of the parachute, the latter began descending at frightful velocity through the storm clouds. The officer might have cut the balloon lose, making his own escape a certainty, but he would have doomed his brother officer to certain death. So he refrained from preferring to take the millionth chance along with the other man.

The velocity of the fall extinguished the fire which had burned a great hole in the balloon and wind, getting in through this opening, caused the fabric to swell out thus forming a parachute of itself. The ground was reached with a thud which broke a collar-bone or two but both young men walked to the nearest dressing station where they "reported" before receiving first aid.

YARROWDALE CAPTIVES WILL BE SET FREE

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stating that the note was authentic. The note is in the possession of the United States government.

Naval Bill Passes.
The Senate this afternoon unanimously passed the half billion dollar naval bill, which President Wilson plans to sign immediately. He will then issue an executive order arming all American merchantmen.

The government will consider hostile attacks on such vessels, as "acts of war," and will take steps accordingly.

FIGHTING DESPERATE IN BRITISH ATTACK

Germans Claim Victory Near Houchese—Activity is Increasing on The Eastern Front.

BERLIN, via Sayville, March 2.—Hand to hand fighting was a feature of the German repulse of the British attack to the southeast of Houchese, it was announced here today. Reconnoitering advances were also defeated between Ypres and Arres. Twenty prisoners and one machine gun were taken.

Thirty prisoners and one machine gun were taken in the Acre sector. On the eastern front, fighting has increased.

KAISER SUFFERING FROM SEVERE CHILL

AMSTERDAM, March 2.—It was reported from Berlin today that the Kaiser is suffering from a severe chill, and is confined to his room. Physicians are not apprehensive, but are taking all possible precautions.

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WILLARD IS MEMBER OF WAR COUNCIL.



DANIEL WILLARD

At a joint meeting in the office of Secretary of War Baker of the council of national defense and its advisory commission, composed of civilians, it was decided to appoint seven committees to develop the program for the mobilization of the resources of the country in time of war.

Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and chairman of the advisory commission, reported that at a meeting in New York city of the heads of fifteen of the largest railroads a plan for transportation preparedness was evolved by which committees of railroad presidents in each of the four army departments would co-operate with department commanders in arranging plans for transporting troops and supplies in time of war. Mr. Willard's portrait is shown.

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Other Cities Compared.
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In commenting on Mr. Miller's letter, announcing the reduction in the meter lighting rates, the local manager state that he derives much satisfaction from the knowledge that the people of Bend are doing business with men of the type of Mr. Miller and Charles A. Brown, who control the affairs of the company.

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