

AMERICAN TRAINS BRITISH AVIATORS

George Beatty Coaches Air Men Who Go to the Front.

HOW STUDENTS ARE TAUGHT

Each Lesson Occupies Fifteen Minutes, and Instructor Sits in the Seat Beside the Recruit—Practice Proceeds in Winds Up to Twenty Miles an Hour. Two Kinds of Machines Are Used.

London.—If there is one man more than another who has profited by the war that man is George W. Beatty, the American aviator, who has established a school of aviation at the well known Hendon aerodrome.

At the outbreak of hostilities the aerodrome underwent a complete metamorphosis. The exhibition flights were abandoned and the place completely taken over by the British government—aeroplane, hangar and aerodrome. The exigencies of the war called for the construction of new aeroplanes and tuition of many pilots for the royal flying wing. Needless to say, there were innumerable recruits clamoring to become proficient air men so as to render good service to their country in the matter of reconnoitering and in scouting work.

Lieutenant Forte of the royal navy, who, as most Americans are aware, was previously busying himself with the preparation of a hydroaeroplane



Photo by American Press Association.
GEORGE W. BEATTY IS TURNING OUT EFFICIENT AVIATORS FOR ENGLAND'S NAVY.

with which he had hoped to cross the Atlantic, was appointed commander of the aerodrome, while Claude Grahame-White was given a commission as flight lieutenant in the navy.

The whole scene at Hendon was altered. Instead of walking about in civilian attire men were now to be seen in the uniform of the British navy, while a detachment of marines formed an encampment on the fringe of the great inclosure and carried out the duties of safeguarding the numerous aeroplanes and their hangars. As has been the case in so many other departments of the state, a complete change took place in the appearance of this most important adjunct of British defenses, and thus it came about that George Beatty came upon his great opportunity.

Grahame-White, finding it was necessary to devote his first attention to the training of pupils for the navy direct, had to look elsewhere for a school where lay pupils could complete their flying apprenticeship. No better man could have been found than Beatty to take over this surplus from the Grahame-White school, and the aspirants were duly transferred to the Beatty school. Mr. Beatty was equal to the occasion and quite in his element. He at once took these students in hand and gave them some good practice on the biplane, a machine with two propellers.

The dual control of this type of machine renders the tuition of pupils exceptionally rapid and thorough. Each lesson occupies about fifteen minutes, and the student of aviation sits side by side with his tutor, keenly observing his every move. The various evolutions in the manipulation of the machine are thus actually felt, as each movement by the pilot is accompanied by a corresponding motion on the pupil's side of the biplane, becomes transferred and hence necessarily enables the pupil to be in sensitive touch with the motional changes directed by his master.

Again, the explanations and instructions are more readily conveyed than in the case of the average biplane, where you do not get in close proximity, as the pupil and teacher do not sit side by side. Practice proceeds in winds up to twenty miles an hour.

Mr. Beatty does not believe in giving his students experiences on the biplane only. He also utilizes the monoplane for intermediate trials.

Mr. Beatty is a big favorite with his pupils.

INDIAN SOLDIERS' PROBLEM IS FOOD

Strange Demand of Hindus and Mohammedan Fighters.

GOATS ARE ODDLY KILLED.

These Animals Must Have Throat Cut in Some Instances, While in Other Cases Head Is Cut Off to Conform With Religion—Beef Is Not Eaten at All by the Orthodox.

London.—The East Indian troops are giving no end of trouble because of their fastidiousness in eating. In the Netley hospital, near Southampton, Hindus and Mohammedan wounded almost came to blows over the question of how their goat and sheep should be served. It has been necessary to separate them to avoid fighting.

The Mohammedan wants the animals' heads cut off; the Hindu insists that the throat shall be cut and the beast allowed to bleed to death, after custom immemorial.

At first the British in charge of the hospital were inclined to weigh the matter lightly, but they found that it



Photo by American Press Association.
EAST INDIAN SOLDIERS WHO MUST HAVE SPECIALLY PREPARED FOOD.

was of serious concern to the Indian. After two or three clashes between the factions they were placed in different parts of the hospital.

An Anglo-Indian writing in the London Times on the camp life and caste peculiarities of Great Britain's transplanted Indian troops furnishes a lively and entertaining narrative. After describing the strange picture made by a column of Punjabi Mussulmans as they drove before them in a French boulevard a flock of sheep and bearded goats and relating incidents of the intense admiration the French people have for these oriental allies the writer takes up the peculiar problem the commissariat has to meet in supplying the various castes and sects of the Indian army with meat food.

"Of the composition of the camp I must say nothing," he writes, "but the mere creeds and castes from which the Indian expeditionary force is drawn will suggest to any one who knows the east the most complicated problem of commissariat. The Gurkha, the Rajput and other Hindus will eat goat or mutton provided the animal has been killed in a special and orthodox way. The disgust which the strict Hindu feels at physical contact with beef is so intense that he will sometimes vomit at the sight of it. The prejudice is so inveterate that Mohammedans who are the descendants of Hindu converts cannot reconcile themselves to the taste. Happily pork, the Moslem abomination, does not complicate the question of army rations.

"But the crux is not so much the nature of the meat to be provided as the manner in which it is killed and cooked. In the case of sheep the Sikh village's gorge will rise when he sees meat prepared by the Mohammedan butcher, who kills by the halal or throat cutting stroke. Just as the Mohammedan feels it an outrage that meat should be hung up for sale that has been killed by the jatka—the stroke at the back of the neck affected by the Sikhs. In France now a certain amount of tinned mutton is eaten willingly by the troops, but the great bulk of commissariat meat must be sent alive to railhead and slain there in accordance with prescribed rites.

"That the men may know whether they are eating clean or unclean flesh units are detached to a point near railhead, where each man, to be Mohammedan, Sikh or Hindu, dispatches his beast by his own peculiar sacrificial stroke, marks it as clean and sends it on to his comrades in the trenches."

Smoke Ball Protects Air Craft.
Berlin.—German aviators have a new way of protecting their airships. When an attempt is made to shoot them down the aviator starts a smoke ball, which soon becomes a big brown cloud that swallows up the machine.

BROKEN NECK HEALS.

Nine-year-old New York Girl Again Strong and Happy.

New York.—Nine-year-old Marian Raynor Wallace, daughter of former Justice and Mrs. Archer B. Wallace of Freeport, N. Y., now romps in the yard of her home, laughing with other children, having entirely recovered from a double fracture of the vertebrae at the neck, after having been in a plaster cast for nearly five months.

While playing "follow my leader" last summer at the country home of her parents in Merrick, Marian fell from a door. She was taken to Nassau hospital, Mineola, where the X ray showed distinct fractures.

Dr. William H. Runcie, the family physician, placed her in the cast. Although it was at first thought there was not a chance for her to recover, the bones began to knit and within a week it was deemed safe to take her home, on condition that she remain in the cast, which extended from her head to her hips, leaving out only her face.

The cast was taken off, and Marian returned to school well.

DEER KILLS MAN IN LAKE.

Hunter Pursues Wounded Animal into Water—Body Found.

Antigo, Wis.—David Gibson, a hunter, met death while battling with a wounded deer in Sawyer lake, near here.

This was revealed when Gibson's body was recovered. His head was badly cut, his arms and the upper part of his body bruised and his clothing torn. The body was located in deep water.

Gibson, while hunting with his brother, pursued a wounded deer to the lake. The animal plunged in and, although it had grown dumb, Gibson followed. His brother heard him call for help, but the darkness prevented him from seeing what was taking place out in the lake. He obtained a boat, but could find neither his brother nor the deer.

Searching parties spent two days in the hunt for the body.

FAKE WAR RELIC IN WINDOW STARTS RIOT

Old Saw Fashioned Into Turko Blade Draws Police.

Gary, Ind.—Frank Skelly leaped into fame on a saw as the leading humorist of the city. It was an old saw, rusty and most of its teeth gone, and this made the leap more difficult. Skelly picked up the saw and—

Five policemen rushed down the main street of Gary with drawn clubs. They were answering a riot call. In front of Fred J. Freydlund's store a gathering crowd was shouting and struggling. The crowd pressed against the store window. The men cried out: "Break the window! Wreck the store!"

After half an hour the police dispersed the mob. Several heads were whacked; a great deal of ill feeling was exhibited. Then all night the police stood in front of Mr. Freydlund's store. They were protecting it, for in the window hung a bloodstained saber marked as a relic from a Belgian battlefield. It had belonged to a terrible Turko, the sign said. The terrible Turko had fought valiantly with it. He had slain at least five of the enemy before he lost it. There was blood on the curved and wicked looking blade.

It was for this reason that the mob had endeavored to break the window. Freydlund, however, had given a good hat to its owner for permission to exhibit it in his store.

By morning Freydlund decided he had had enough of the blade. He summoned Frank Skelly to the store.

"You can have your relic back—and for goodness' sake sink it in the lake!"

Frank Skelly laughed. What happened to the old saw Skelly found? Oh, he sunk it in the lake, as Mr. Freydlund had suggested, only it was no longer a saw, but a curved saber with goose blood smeared all over the blade.

NEWS ITEM WORTH \$1,000.

It Told Minnesota Man of Legacy Left Him.

Hibbing, Minn.—Through an item which appeared in a local paper giving a list of deceased persons whose relatives cannot be found and for whom the amount of certain life insurance policies is being held by a life insurance company, Robert Porteous, living near Warren, Minn., will receive \$1,000, the full amount of the policy carried by his wife, Mrs. Mary Porteous.

The article was noticed by W. L. Galloway of the Galloway Dry Goods company. One of his clerks is Miss Sadie Porteous, and inquiry developed the fact that Mrs. Mary Porteous was her aunt. The exact whereabouts of Robert Porteous is not known, but he is living in the country in the vicinity of Warren.

Gaekwar Buys Empress of India.
Seattle, Wash.—The liner Empress of India of the Canadian-Pacific Railway company, which has been plying between north Pacific ports and the far east for twenty-three years, has been sold to the Gaekwar of Baroda, said to be the richest prince of the Indian empire. The Empress of India is to serve as a hospital ship for Indian troops.

ODD NEEDS OF SENATORS.

Pitchforks, Gargling Oil, Liniment, Headache Cure, on Expense List.

Washington.—The annual report of the secretary of the senate carries some items of expenditures that seem odd for such an august body.

On the list of disbursements are these items: Two pitchforks, one scoop shovel and forty-eight horseshoes.

Under "medicines and lotions" are one bottle of gargling oil, one bottle of liniment, one bottle of balsam, one pound of powdered resin, five pounds of salts, five pounds of hoarhound of salts, five pounds of headache cure, two dozen selditts powders, one pound soda mint tablets and nine packages of snuff.

One exhaust header stuffing nut cost 70 cents. A local hardware concern was paid \$7.65 for cleaning and adjusting revolvers.

REGAINS SIGHT AT NINETY.

Operation Restores Vision to Veteran of Two Wars, Blind Thirty Years.

Philadelphia.—"I am sorry I have had my first glimpse of the world after so many years on a cold, rainy day," said Captain Isaac Williams, who is ninety, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars. He had been blind nearly thirty years. He was operated upon by Dr. Mary Buchanan a few days ago, and now he says he can see as well as the day he watched Pickett's men as they marched across the field at Gettysburg.

"Somehow I had been wondering if my first look at the things I used to know by sight would be on a day when I could see the sun," the aged man said wistfully. He received many callers seated in the old arm chair in which he had spent nearly all of his thirty blind years.

"Let me see. This would be Sally," he said once as a white haired woman took his hand. "I am glad to be able to have another look at you after all these months."

"But I am not Sally," the woman replied with a laugh. After that the old man listened to his caller's voice before he spoke the name.

"You see," said the old soldier, "everything is new to me."

CANNED KITTEN SAFE IN FIRE

Can Was on Its Tail and Puss Was in the Can.

Topeka, Kan.—A fire was recently discovered in a barn at 427 Clay street, and the fire department responded. The barn, however, was a total loss. Only a few charred timbers remained. The firemen were making a final inspection of the ruins.

"Me-u!" came in a kitten's voice from the ruins. Directed by the calls, the firemen found a tin can, and in the can was a little white kitten which had been neither singed by the fire nor drenched by the water from the firemen's hose.

Evidently the kitten had sought refuge in the barn after some naughty boy had attached the can to its tail. It had crawled into the can to escape the flames.

MEAT AT 50 CENTS; SHOES \$10

Experts See This in Two Years Owing to Shortage in Cattle.

Chicago.—Meat at 50 cents a pound and shoes at \$10 a pair are possibilities in the next two years, in the opinion of government and stockyards experts after taking a census of the cattle in the country and finding the visible supply less than 35,000,000 head. As this includes calves, yearlings and full grown stock, the number of animals capable of breeding is reduced to an alarmingly deficient supply.

"Meat in America will be a rarity before the war ends, with its drain on our supply," said Henry J. Williamson, government statistician in the department of agriculture.

"Unless scientific breeding becomes general and the slaughter of calves ceases before five years have expired America will find herself in the class of European countries that have to look to importation to supply meat."

The new year is becoming quite familiar, thank you.

We can do a whole lot for this town in 1915—if we try.

If Japan continues her present attitude of modest retirement she will soon qualify for the Sunday school class.

Now, altogether! Let's make it a year of push for our town.

Any town that is good enough to live in is good enough to boost for.

A new Daniel has sprung into the arena in Europe. His name is Famine.

In this country we "shoot the scutes" and over the way they "shoot the shooters."

The most practical method of achieving distinction is to get on the good side of the editor.

The world is divided into two classes, "boosters" and "knockers." Of course YOU are a booster.

Government officials predict "slowly improving business conditions." Let's hurry them up a bit.

This year begins on Friday and ends on Friday, and every weekly newspaper that carries Friday as its publication day will have 53 weeks in 1915. Some year, eh?

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