

BRITISH ALSO HAD TROUBLE IN GETTING UNIFORMS FOR MEN

Sufficient Supply Not Provided Until July, 1915. Hundreds of Thousands Trained in Civilian Clothes for Months.

The United Press recently asked its London office to find out exactly what had been Great Britain's experience in the matter of supplying her troops immediately after the outbreak of the war. The idea was to find out for the information of the American people whether that nation had encountered the same difficulties as America as to uniforms, equipment and supplies which have been aired at recent congressional investigations.

The following is the first of two stories in reply to this query:

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United Press Staff Correspondent. London, Jan. 23.—America can take consolation and incidentally learn many

lessons in outfitting troops in Great Britain's experience.

Asked by the United Press today how long it had taken the government to catch up with the army's demand for uniforms, the British general in charge of that department answered:

"We were on top of the demand by July, 1915." Then he added with a grim, reminiscent smile, "it was on top of us 'till then."

Asked how the difficulties had been overcome, he replied:

"By darn hard work."

Great Britain's trouble was like America's. Her standing army, not much larger than America's, she was called on suddenly in 1914 to equip an army of millions. Her clothing department, in charge of four officers, and employs six thousand. There was no difficulty in providing for the 180,000 regulars first to go and the famous first hundred thousand were likewise well fixed. But of something like a million men in training camps many had to drill for months in their own clothes.

By December, 1914, the first uniforms manufactured for the new army were delivered. They were of blue cloth. Khaki had not been obtainable. None of the men went to France in the blue; by the time training was completed there were sufficient of the brown uniforms. The blues were then passed along to the newer recruits.

First deliveries of uniforms were made by the Manchester Co-operative soci-

ties at twenty-one shillings each (about \$5.25). Meantime other contracts were let for khaki. Deliveries of these began in April, 1915.

So it was between eight and nine months after England entered the war that the first fighting uniforms manufactured as a direct result of her entering were ready. In three more months a supply sufficient for all needs had been assured.

Until March, 1917, the government simply bought at the best price it could, price usually being less of a consideration than quality and speed. Since then the entire trade has been under government control from raw wool to made up material.

"The chief mistake we made," the general explained, "was in not getting the trade together at the very outset, finding out what each manufacturer could do and telling him to do it. Of course, we were handicapped for a long time by not knowing how much of an army we could raise. Now that we have control of the trade all difficulties look comparatively small."

"On demand now the army could get between eight and nine million uniforms a year. Nineteen million have actually been issued since the war began. Prices have grown. Blouses now cost \$4.26, against \$2.34 in April, 1915. Trousers \$3.24, against \$1.64; coats \$8.82, against \$5.76."

"Other clothes gave the government less trouble, with the exception of socks. It was necessary to buy all the socks in the United States and Canada before the problem of producing them here was solved. Getting shirts and underclothing was comparatively simple."

In distribution of clothing and equipment the general said the one principal lesson learned has been to avoid over-centralization. On this island alone there are fifteen great receiving, assembling and despatching depots.

Immigration Records Seized in Home of Chinese Interpreter

Berkeley, Calif., Jan. 24.—Two suitcases and a bundle filled with immigration office records from Angel Island station seized by the federal authorities today as a result of a raid on the home of Dr. John E. Gardner, Chinese interpreter, and former immigration inspector, and of Mrs. Ralph Marx, Gardner's daughter. The authorities claim the records were stolen from Angel Island and originally were in Dr. Gardner's home, but were removed by Gardner to the home of his daughter when he was warned that a raid was pending. The officers say they found the records concealed beneath a pile of baby clothing in a closet at the Marx home.

Champion Woman Swimmer Plans to Visit United States

San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 24.—Fannie Durack, world's greatest woman swimmer, holder of many world's records, is going to leave her home in Australia for a tour of America.

This is the word that came today to William Unmack, who for three years has been trying to bring the famous mermaid to this country. Miss Durack will sail on May 15 and will arrive in San Francisco June 3.

Try a Eugene Special for a good cigar.

ADMINISTRATION IS PRAISED BY GOMPERS

Men in Control of War Plans of Nation Are Defended by Labor Leader.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 23.—In a ringing speech to delegates to the biennial convention of United Mine Workers of America here today, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, defended the war policy of the national administration.

"Not a name has been mentioned for a place in power in the administration that could compare in brain, art and practical understanding with men now occupying these positions of responsibility," he said.

Gompers declared that he believed the industry suspension order issued by the fuel administration was a mistake and advocated a general seven-hour-day for the duration of the war in place of the closing order.

He warned labor against the spread of Bolshevism in the United States, declaring "that we would be crawling on our bellies at the feet of the kaiser as are the people of Russia," if the Bolsheviks in America had their way.

In defending the war work of government officials, Gompers asserted that if the people did not expect mistakes they expected the impossible.

"I have no brief to speak for the government of the United States or any of its members," he said. "I know that they are prompted by the great purpose that America shall win and do justice to her people during the struggle. They are men of great mental power and exceptional achievements."

"I have heard talk of placing distinguished men in full power in various positions and there wasn't one man whose name was mentioned who has ever been known to do a great public service or express a thought for the benefit of labor."

"Never were the affairs of the country in more competent hands than now. One man power for winning the war is advocated. It was one-man power which made the greatest mistake in the world's history—the kaiser, who started something which he will never be able to finish. Place one military head in charge of this war and he will make far more mistakes than the present administration."

Slavs From Tacoma to Fight With Serbian War Forces

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 24.—Bound for Europe to join the Serbian army, 16 Slavs from Washington and California left here today to fight Germany for the freedom of their native land. They are under the leadership of John Gabelle and Joseph Pecar, of Tacoma.

Several detachments of Slav volunteers have left the colony in South Tacoma at intervals during the past three years to help Serbia in her struggle.

WAS FEELING ALL RUN DOWN.

Symptoms of on-coming kidney trouble deserve prompt attention, for neglect invites serious illness. Louis Buckner, Somerset, Va., writes: "I was feeling all run down; tired, with pains in my back. After taking Foley Kidney Pills I felt like a new man." Backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles, swollen ankles, puffiness under eyes and sleep-disturbing bladder ailments yield. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Eugene Fruit Growers Association will be held at the Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Eugene, Oregon, on Saturday, January 26, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the election of a Board of Directors, voting on a resolution authorizing an increase of the capital stock of the association, amending the By-laws, and any other business which may come before the meeting.

(Signed) J. O. HOLT, Sec. Eugene Fruit Growers' Association. Dated Eugene, Oregon, January 15, 1918

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HOMER CARSON WILL GET BRONZE MEDAL

Eugene Citizen Honored by Carnegie Hero Fund Commission for Saving Boy's Life.

Homer Carson, of Eugene, is one of 23 to receive Carnegie medals for heroism. Wednesday, Mr. Carson, who lives at 1064 Eleventh avenue, saved Lawrence R. Parks, the 9-year-old son of E. B. Parks, of this city, from drowning, on the 18th of June, 1910, in the McKenzie river above Hayden bridge.

The little fellow was fishing with an uncle. He had been on the bank and decided to wade. The swift water swept him into the river. Carson was fishing further up stream, on the opposite side. The folks above called to him, pointing to the boy in the water. Carson plunged into the stream and after a desperate struggle with the current, succeeded in reaching the boy.

He was unable to get back to the bank and, keeping his head above water and holding on to the boy, he drifted several hundred yards to a point where H. R. Sessions, now of Pocatello, Idaho, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Godlove, of Portland, rendered assistance which enabled him to reach safety.

Mr. Carson, who is agent for a life insurance company, is not an expert swimmer, and attributes his success in saving the boy and himself more to good luck than special ability.

MUCH WHEAT IS STILL IN HANDS OF FARMERS

Eugene Miller Says Majority of Crop Has Already Been Moved, However.

That there is still considerable wheat in the hands of the farmers of Lane county is the opinion of C. S. Williams, of the Eugene Mill and Elevator company. The larger portion of the crop has been moved, Mr. Williams stated, but he believes there is still much in the hands of the farmers. The same is true of the oat crop, though Mr. Williams doubts if there are any more oats in the county than will be locally consumed.

The Mill and Elevator company shipped a large amount of beans this fall but Mr. Williams stated that since the government took hold of the railroads it is almost impossible to get cars for bean shipments, other commodities being on the preferred list. Beans, being perishable, and there being abundant supplies in the east are being held back to make way for the transportation of the necessary and perishable articles and fuel, according to Mr. Williams.

Rebels in Control

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The German peoples to form a democratic government has borne fruit.

NO REPORT OF REVOLT.

London, Jan. 24.—Up to 10 o'clock today there was no confirmation here of the Smolny Institute wireless reports of a revolution in Vienna as reported in United Press despatches.

WASHINGTON UNADVISED.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The state department official reports had carried nothing up to 8:30 o'clock this morning on the Smolny Institute wireless reports of a revolution in Vienna.

The American government, informed of the United Press despatch from Petrograd reporting the wireless message received there, sought immediately to get official reports from its foreign offices.

200,000 STRIKE IN VIENNA.

Copenhagen, Jan. 24.—Austrian socialist leaders are "experiencing difficulty in controlling the extremists of their party," according to delayed messages received today from Vienna.

The despatches reported 200,000 Viennese still striking.

At Budapest the strike partly continues.

GERMAN SECRETARY ASSAILED.

Copenhagen, Jan. 24.—The German socialist organ, Vorwaerts, in its issue of Wednesday evening, received here today, printed the remarks of Dr. Ebert before the German main reichstag committee, declaring there were sensational rumors of "street fighting at Buda Pest and Vienna and of the proclamation of a republic at Prague," (Bohemia).

According to the Vorwaerts, Ebert assailed the German government in these words:

"The whole world knew of the general strike in Austria-Hungary—only the German people did not know of it. This resulted in sensational rumors of street fighting at Buda Pest and Vienna and of reports of proclamation of a republic at Prague."

"We salute the action of the Austro-Hungarian proletariat and express our warmest sympathy. German labor, where necessary, will use its full power to combat efforts to prevent an early peace based on understanding and right."

Wednesday evening's issue of the Vorwaerts was its first since the three-day suspension recently meted out to it by the German government for printing news of unrest in Austria.

GERMANY IS WARNED

Copenhagen, Jan. 24.—"The German government is playing with fire; Germany's situation is but little different from Austria's."

Philip Scheideemann, leader of the German majority socialists, so warned the German authorities in a speech before the main committee of the Reichstag, reported in the socialist organ Vorwaerts, received here today.

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STREET CAR MEN WILL ASK RAISE IN WAGES

Men Not Satisfied With Change of Wage System Granted Them Last Year.

Motormen and conductors employed on the Eugene and Springfield street car system of the Southern Pacific Railway company have presented a demand for a wage increase, according to statements made by employees of the company here Wednesday night. The company last year gave these employees a bonus. This year the company granted an increase of 3 cents per hour in wages and gave no bonus. The men say the effect has been to reduce their wages \$50 under last year.

The motormen and conductors here are unorganized and it is stated that there is little probability of a strike in an effort to enforce the wage demand.

Portland Policeman Charged With Disloyalty Exonerated

Portland, Or., Jan. 24.—Police Captain Harms today became head of the traffic department instead of the squad to guard visiting soldiers from temptation, following his exoneration of charges of disloyalty and of drinking, gambling and carousing while leading the "purity squad" a few years ago. The charges were made to substantiate an allegation that he was unfit to guard the soldier's morals.

Harms wept when the exoneration was read. He stated he will take no action against persons making the charges.

MANY KILLED IN EXPLOSION

New Glasgow, N. S., Jan. 24.—Eight bodies have been taken from the Allen coal shaft at the Arcadia company's Stellarton collieries near here today, following an explosion that took place in the mine while 100 men were at work. Eleven escaped by fleeing when they smelled smoke on an upper level.

Small hope is being held out for the remaining 81 known to have been in the mine when the blast came.

SPRINGFIELD MILL IS AGAIN READY TO RUN

Will Join Eugene Plant in Manufacturing War Flour Which Is Proving Popular Here.

The Springfield flouring mill, owned by the Eugene Mill and Elevator company, will start its machinery today after having been shut down several months during which it was thoroughly overhauled and put in thorough up-to-date shape inside. New foundations and flour were put in the building, new machinery was installed and new spouting built. The Springfield mill will in addition to making a patent flour from valley wheat and also making a hard wheat flour, also make the war bread flour which the Eugene mill is now turning out and which is making quite a hit in the city.

This war flour is made from the finest glutinous parts of the wheat which were formerly put in the bran and middlings combined with a small portion of the white side of the kernel. The government now compels 90 per cent of the wheat to be made into flour, and instead of putting it all into a straight flour they are making a patent and a war flour. It is the advantage of being cheaper than the white flour instead as in the case of the whole wheat and other flours of being more expensive.

The business management of the mill is in charge of Elmer D. Faine, former cashier of the United States National bank, and C. S. Williams, who has been connected with the Eugene Mill and Elevator company for many years.

Portland Business Men Called for Guard Duty

Portland, Or., Jan. 24.—Sleepy business men are in evidence all over the city today. They were suddenly summoned from their dinners last night to stand guard along the water front, and finished the trick at 7 o'clock today. Four companies of the Multnomah county guard, uniformed and armed, performed the duty, supplementing private watchmen.

Hot Water Each Morning Puts Roses in Your Cheeks



To look one's best and feel one's best is to enjoy an inside bath each morning to flush from the system the previous day's waste, sour fermentations and poisonous toxins before it is absorbed into the blood. Just as coal, when it burns, leaves behind a certain amount of incombustible material in the form of ashes, so the food and drink taken each day leave in the alimentary organs a certain amount of indigestible material, which, if not eliminated, form toxins and poisons which are then sucked into the blood through the very ducts which are intended to suck in only nourishment to sustain the body.

If you want to see the glow of healthy bloom in your cheeks, to see your skin get clearer and clearer, you are told to drink every morning upon arising, a glass of hot water, with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, which is a harmless means of washing the waste material and toxins from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels, thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire

alimentary tract, before putting new food into the stomach. Girls and women with sallow skin, liver spots, pimples or pallid complexion, also those who wake up with a coated tongue, bad taste, nasty breath, who are bothered with headaches, nervous spells, acid stomach or constipation, should begin this phosphate and water drinking and are assured of very pronounced results in one or two weeks.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate costs very little at the drug store, but is sufficient to demonstrate that it is as soap and hot water cleanser, purifier and freshener the skin on the outside, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the inside organs. You must always consider that internal sanitation is vastly more important than outside cleanliness, because the skin pores do not absorb impurities into the blood, while the bowel pores do.

Women who desire to enhance the beauty of their complexion should try this for a week and notice results. Adv.

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