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ROADS BEHIND FIGHTING LINES ARE FILLED WITH MOTLEY ARRAY OF TRUCKS AND LOADS

Behind British Lines in France, Nov. 21.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—There is a broad road which runs like a spinal column across the north of France, which the British private has nicknamed the "Road to Victory." His fondness for this road is perhaps due to the fact that it is broader, better paved, and more direct than most other roads, being one of those highways which Napoleon laid out many generations ago.

Over this "Road to Victory" there moves a never-ending procession of transport of the most varied character. Standing at a cross-roads, one sees first a group of four wagons; theirs is a pleasant load, for they carry rations,—clean, wholesome yellow cheeses, sides of prime bacon, fresh white bread in sacks, chests of tea, sugar, tinned butter and bully-beef, sacks of potatoes and onions, sides of frozen beef and mutton.

Behind the ration carts follow a string of 20 motor-lorries laden with lumber of various kinds. Each lorry in this group carries its name proudly on its side, the names all taken from Dickens' characters.

Betsy Prig, Martin Chuzzlewit, Micawber, Oliver Twist, Mr. Bumble, Sairey Gamp and others. Some are carrying "duckboards," which are little sections of skeleton sidewalk for foot traffic over the mud. Others are laden with "turkey trots," little wood bridges for shell-holes. Still others have long bundles of brush wood "fascines" for filling in hollow places in roads. Yet others have lengths of beech planking for corduroy roads.

Next in line behind the lorries is a battery of field guns painted in a strange motley of greens, browns and yellows. The horses are in the pink of condition, their coats gleam, their drivers tanned brick-red by exposure.

After the guns come long strings of pack mules wearing brown canvas "carriers," from the pockets of which peep the gleaming cases of 18-pounder shells, or the squat yellow bodies of field howitzer ammunition. The mule is certainly doing his bit in this war. Plodding and patient, he works his ten or twelve hours a day back and forth between dump and gun position, mostly under shell fire, always through roads muddy and wet and shell-torn.

All in the Day's Work.

A Pittsfield woman arose at 5 o'clock, trimmed one hat and finished a dress for her daughter, canned fifteen quarts of preserves, baked bread, did the washing, enameled a bedstead, cleaned the parlor and repotted half a dozen plants, wrote two letters, prepared three meals and put up one dinner, cleaned the cellar and took care of the furnace, answered the telephone, gave store orders, raked the back lawn and then went up street to see a show.—Indianapolis News.

Don't put on too many airs as you float down life's stream. Your little boat may capsize.

A habit may be good or bad according to whether you rule it or it rules you.—Chicago News.

Potatoes do not stain the hands if peeled when quite dry and not thrown into water till afterward.

There are over 500 muscles in the body, all of which should be exercised daily to keep you in the best condition.

PRISONERS WILL BE MOVED TO HOLLAND

The Hague, Netherlands, Nov. 20. (Correspondence)—Seven to eight thousand British prisoners-of-war from Germany shortly are to take up their quarters at The Hague and in the neighborhood, constituting a fresh strain on the sorely-trying housing accommodation of the city and its environs. A like number of German prisoners from Great Britain are to be quartered in other parts of the country, and preparations are afoot to provide for them.

Both Great Britain and Germany have sent over representatives to cooperate with the Netherlands authorities in the matter. Special hospital accommodations are being provided for the numerous invalids, as only a limited number of cases can be placed in existing civil and military hospitals. The British and Netherlands Red Cross societies are joining efforts in this task.

To accustom the German prisoners to regular employment and give them a certain amount of confidence in the future, workshops are to be erected in the Wolfhezen camp. Raw materials are to be brought from Germany, here the finished work will be in due course exported in order to avoid competition with Netherlands workmen. According to present plans, some of the men will be put to work on the land, while students will be given facilities to continue their studies at Netherlands universities.

GRANTS PASS WEATHER

Following is a summary of the weather observation at Grants Pass for the month of November, 1917.

Date	Max.	Min.	Range	Pre.
1	64	28	36	
2	55	27	28	tr.
3	58	47	11	.81
4	57	37	20	tr.
5	53	47	6	.48
6	55	39	16	
7	51	32	19	.64
8	51	33	18	
9	50	38	12	
10	65	38	27	.05
11	56	37	19	.45
12	54	42	12	.27
13	54	35	19	
14	50	23	27	
15	47	31	16	.02
16	43	37	6	
17	41	35	6	.02
18	41	34	7	.02
19	39	32	7	.02
20	52	31	21	
21	52	32	20	
22	43	30	12	.01
23	46	31	15	
24	52	37	16	
25	52	43	9	
26	52	39	17	
27	51	34	17	.65
28	52	30	22	1.13
29	61	47	14	2.93
30	51	45	6	

Summary: Mean temperature, 44 degrees; maximum temperature, 64 degrees, date 1. Minimum temperature, 27 degrees, date 2. Total precipitation, 6.88 inches. No. days clear, 6; partly cloudy, 10; cloudy, 14. Prevailing wind, Southwest. JNO. B. PADDOCK, Cooperative Observer.

TELLS ABOUT MERINO SHEEP

Writer Accounts for Thick Folds in Fleece, Not to Be Found in Other Popular Breeds.

Just about every so often I get to feeling sheepish, as it were, and have to write something to show my familiarity with those animals, says Strickland Gillilan in Farm Life.

The other day I saw my wife cooking a leg of lamb. Now and then she would open the door of the oven and flip some water over the meat.

Thus I learned how, when we start to roast somebody, we may be said to be giving him a lamb-basting.

You have often heard of sheepfolds, haven't you? Well, if you want to see a sheepfold look at any merino sheep, which accounts for the way V. folds show on them.

When merino sheep were made, hide was cheaper than mutton and wool was a drug on the market. So a wee bit of sheep was wrapped in several sheepskins, necessitating a lot of overlaps. It seems easier to shir a sheep than to shear one.

There is an old rhyme which speaks of the "folded flock." Those must have been merinos. It is some nifty stunt to de-wool a merino and leave on more of the hide than of the wool. It is the only accession plaited sheep in the solar system. If merinos had been washed in green persimmon juice all their lives they couldn't have been puckereder.

Evidently the *U. ammas* didn't use (that kind of) s.

The Southdown, Oxforddown, Shropshire-down, etc., are sheep with clean dresses and dirty hands and faces.

The only sheep that wear bustles are the fat rumped sheep now being raised at the state college at Brookings, S. D. They carry a trailer, something like a locomotive, only there isn't a tender behind, except for eating purposes.

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