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### READY TO GIVE TASTE OF STEEL

Americans in France Complete Their Training in Bayonet School.

### SPEED PLEASES INSTRUCTORS

Give Demonstration of Energy and Accuracy Which is Truly American—Graduates to Act as Instructors to New Arrivals.

With the American Army in France, the "graduation exercises" of the large bayonet school were watched by several generals and their staffs. The men, who had been trained in the British system by British instructors, gave a demonstration of energy, speed and accuracy which was truly American. They are ready to go over the top.

A British sergeant major put the men through the drill so vigorously that more than one man was hurt. But their wounds were not serious. The instructor himself so narrowly escaped a bayonet point that his tunic was cut.

"Now, then," the sergeant would say, holding a heavy, long stick in his hand, "when I tell you men to turn, try to get the point to me. Now, turn! Yeah! Yeah! Give 'em hell! That's good!"

#### They "Go Over the Top."

The Americans worked like football players, every nerve and every hardened muscle straining. The sergeant, by reason of long practice, was able to ward off some thrusts with the point or butt, but from many he had to jump.

Even more vigor was shown by the men as they occupied the trench line and, with their officers, went over the top in a charge. The operations began by firing from the trench at the dummies in the enemy trenches. Some of the men made perfect scores, while only three of the whole class fell below 80 in a possible 100.

The men went furiously at the charges, urged on by the most emphatic language that a British sergeant major might be credited with having at his command. He shouted to his men: "Give it to 'em—in the heart, in the throat! That's the way. If you don't get them they'll get you! On your toes all the time! Quick! Quick! Quick!"

The urging was unnecessary. The men knew what to do and did it, and they were so well trained that orders were anticipated.

The French and British officers were enthusiastic, especially at the speed and energy of the Americans. Some of the graduates will be sent immediately to newly arrived units as instructors.

#### Training New Continent.

A division of American troops, recently arrived in France, will begin regimental maneuvers at once and will be trained in barrage fire, the American artillery working with American aviators. The site picked for the practice is rolling ground.

The artillery will lay a barrage up to the first objective, over theoretical German trenches. The infantry, following up the fire, will occupy the trenches and then execute a flank movement.

The signal corps will get the benefit of the maneuvers, for they will be carried out as if an actual attack were being launched.

### FACES DEATH FOR DAYS

Heavy Seas Wreck Vessel and Owner is Prisoner on Ledge for 16 Days.

Prince Rupert, B. C.—Heavy seas wrecked an Indian fishing launch on a ledge in the open sea off Dundas Island and held its owner, Stephen Ryan, prisoner on the ledge 16 days after washing his two companions, Peter and Richard Robinson, off the ledge to their deaths, according to reports reaching here.

Ryan, who was given up for dead by his fellow members of the Methakita tribe, was rescued and told how he was nearly submerged at nearly every high tide, and when not almost drowned by combings was soaked by constant rains. He said he made a raft from the launch and put to sea, but it upset and he swam back to the rock.

At night, he said, he tied himself to the ledge with ropes. His only food was a few raw potatoes rescued from the launch.

### GERMANS LACK THINKING MEN

Despite Advanced Age of Many Prussian Warriors They Have Little Comprehension of Situation.

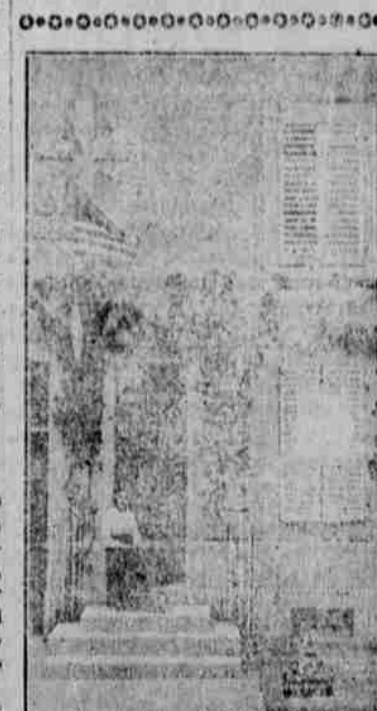
Germany in making a call for men up to forty-seven years of age has taken advantage of two more years above the conscription maximum of forty-five. Most individuals when they approach the fiftieth year have about concluded their fighting days through inability to keep down their girth measure. But certain conditions in Germany, over which that country has had little control, have served, no doubt, to keep the human form within military bounds. Americans who go to France, therefore, are likely to have to fight babes in arms and old gentlemen if the age limits are stretched further under Prussian regulations, observes the Detroit Free Press.

Perhaps, after all, this conscripting of men above forty-five will produce some effect in the ranks that may be useful toward letting light into dark places. The army knows little of what is going on in the world. If half of the seasoned soldiers really believe that London is in ruins and the German fleet is in control of the sea, they may learn something to their advantage by consulting a few of the old stagers who are compelled at this late date to join the colors. Men born in 1870 ought to be more difficult to deceive, and a few of such scattered through the army may serve to enlighten the fighting multitude as to the error of their belief. It is presuming much to expect results from this source, but if a man above forty-five is good for anything as a trench fighter, he ought to be good at shooting off his mouth. And, after all, what Germany lacks most is more men who will talk and think.

#### New Type of "Vampire."

Arrest at the instance of an army officer of a young woman who had committed bigamy in order to secure the allowance granted to soldiers' dependents gives color to the warning issued against this new type of "vampire," notes the Omaha Bee. Young soldiers are picked out by these women and deliberately led into marriage, the one purpose being to secure money from the government. The game is not a new one, nor does it exhibit much modification in its details. It is reported from some of the Southern army camps that as many as three and four soldiers have been wedded to the same woman. The young men who are away from home for the first time, wearing their country's uniform, should be warned that marriage is not merely an enlistment for the war, and therefore to be approached very seriously. Romance is part of a soldier's life, but it may have consequences that will embarrass him in after years. The "vampire" is one of his chiefest dangers, and one against whom it is difficult to guard.

### FLY AMERICAN FLAG BEHIND THE LINES



The American flag being traded to this tobaccoist somewhere behind the lines in a French village. A board also announces the fact that cakes, jam and chocolate are among the war-time temptations for soldiers to buy.

**Optimistic Thought.**  
Honor is the recompense of those who do right without seeking recompense.

## SWISS PUT CHECK ON UNDESIRABLES

Demand Ironclad Passports of All Foreigners Entering the Country.

### HOSPITALITY IS VIOLATED

Switzerland Has Suffered From Foreign Element as No Other Neutral Since War Began—Country is Overrun With Spies.

Berne.—Switzerland finally has taken initial steps to control the undesirable foreign element from which she has suffered as no other neutral country since August, 1914.

New regulations adopted by the federal council are intended to make it difficult for the agent of one of the warring countries, for the deserter from any side, for the foreigner without obvious, legitimate means of livelihood and occupation to flock, as heretofore, into the little country that is trying desperately to maintain an upright neutrality and at the same time weather the storm until peace arrives.

Switzerland hitherto has permitted, without any material objections, scores of thousands of strangers to enter almost as freely as in peace times. Now action has been taken to stop this only because her hospitality has been grossly violated, her neutrality at times even threatened.

The new rules, which will become effective as soon as the Swiss diplomatic and consular officials throughout the world can be notified, require that all foreigners entering the country must be equipped with ironclad passports from their own countries, or equivalent papers of identification; that prior to coming to Switzerland all foreigners must furnish to Swiss diplomatic or consular officials adequate reasons for wanting to come here, and that, after arrival, strangers must register with the police of the city or town they intend to inhabit.

#### Overrun by Undesirables.

There always has been a daily traffic between France and Switzerland in the neighborhood of Geneva, and between Germany and Switzerland near Basel, on the part of laborers and others. Many undesirable foreigners have smuggled themselves across the border and have failed to return. Once in Switzerland, they have been able to hide because of the lack of control over foreigners.

That all is to be changed. Every person crossing the border at other than the ordinary points where ironclad passports will be required will be numbered. If he fails to return, the police will be put upon his trail. He will have little chance of escaping, for without the right kind of credentials he is unable to obtain bread. A bread card today is more important even than the money with which to purchase it—and a bread card is issued only on presentation of identification papers.

The hotel at which the newcomer stops, the pension that takes him in, the private family to whom he may go, are all liable to heavy penalties if they fail to announce his arrival.

#### Problem for Deserters.

There remains the problem of the deserters who have managed to flee across the boundary from one army or another and of the near-deserters, those who have come here with the permission of their respective governments, and then have declined to return. Swiss law prescribes that these deserters and refractory soldiers, as they are called, cannot be forcibly deported.

There are in Switzerland now, it is estimated, between 10,000 and 15,000 of these gentry. Not all of them are bad citizens. Hundreds of them, at least, are gainfully occupied and are living model lives. Others are undesirable to the point of being out-and-out criminals. Figures for Geneva alone show that out of 70,000 foreigners among its 170,000 population, 1,330 are deserters and 2,452 refractory soldiers, while in Zurich these figures are exceeded.

The agitation for the utilization of the man power represented by the deserters and refractory soldiers is so strong that it will surprise no one to see steps taken to incorporate the majority of them into a civilian service of manual labor in agriculture.

### LAW VIOLATOR IS FORGIVEN

Man Who Broke Game Law When Child Says He is Now Studying for Ministry.

Columbus, Ind.—Fred H. Ehlers, deputy fish and game warden, has forgiven a violator of the law. Besides, the statute of limitation may have something to do with the affair.

Ehlers has received a letter from Nampun, Idaho, from Willard Isgright. The writer says: "When I lived near Harrisville, at the age of seven to twelve years, I went sailing with a crowd of men when it was against the law. I also disobeyed the Snaring law, perhaps others in that line. I ask you here to forgive me. If there are any charges you want me to pay let me know. God has really saved me and I am studying for the ministry. I did these things eleven to fifteen years ago. Where will you spend eternity?"

### A TWICE-TOLD TALE.

One of Interest to Our Readers

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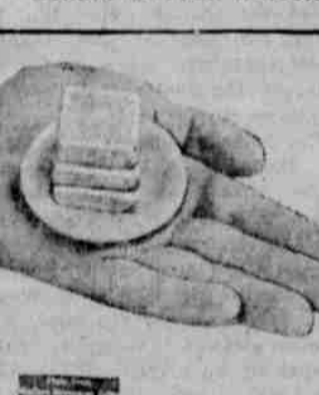
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