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GEN. PERSHING COMMENDS AID RENDERED ARMY

Post Exchanges Overseas Are Taken Over by the Military Authorities

Asserting that the valuable aid rendered by the war service of the Y. M. C. A. had been a large factor in the final great accomplishments of the American army, General Pershing, in a communication to E. C. Carter, in charge of association operations with the American Expeditionary Forces, pays a splendid tribute to the work which this agency accomplished under extreme difficulties and handicaps. "The Y. M. C. A. served the army better than could have been expected," says General Pershing.

At its own request the American Y. M. C. A. has been relieved from maintaining post exchanges with the Expeditionary forces overseas, the need for such service having been relieved with the signing of the armistice. Correspondence exchanged between General Pershing and E. C. Carter, in charge of the Y. M. C. A. with the army, resulted in this decision. Carter wrote to General Pershing January 29th as follows:

Dear General Pershing:
A year and a half ago you requested the Y. M. C. A. to undertake operations for post exchanges for the American Expeditionary Forces in order that officers and enlisted men may not be taken away for that purpose from their paramount military functions of training and fighting.
As soon as hostilities ceased we raised with you the question whether time had not come for the Y. M. C. A. to be relieved of the operation of post exchanges in view of the fact that there was no longer the same pressing demand on man power of the army for training and fighting. When we first raised the question with you it did not appear to you that it was feasible in the best interests of maximum service to the army that a change be made. Now the situation is materially altered.

Recent general orders from main headquarters and requests from commanding officers have laid on the Y. M. C. A. increased responsi-

bilities in promoting educational, athletic and entertainment activities in the American Expeditionary Force. This is adding a rapidly increasing burden upon our personnel. The army is also now preparing for the delivery of all supplies for post exchanges which heretofore have been imported, manufactured and delivered by the Y. M. C. A.

In view of the changed situation I wish to know whether you do not think it would be possible for the army at a very early date to assume full responsibility for the maintenance of post exchanges throughout the American Expeditionary Force?

Very cordially yours,
(Signed) E. C. CARTER.
General Pershing immediately acted upon the suggestion made by Carter and relieved the Y. M. C. A. of its task of maintaining the post exchanges. He said:

My Dear Mr. Carter:
I have received your letter of January 29th asking whether, in view of present changed situation, it would be possible for the army to assume full responsibility for maintenance of post exchanges throughout American Expeditionary Force.

As you correctly state, the Y. M. C. A. undertook the management of post exchanges at my request at a time when it was of greatest importance that no available soldier should be taken away from vital military functions of training and fighting. As reasons which impelled me at that time to request you to undertake this work no longer exist, I am glad to approve your suggestion in reaching this conclusion. Consideration has been given to new burdens in connection with entertainment, athletic activities and education that you have assumed. I have accordingly given directions that army units themselves take over and operate their own post exchanges.

In making this change permit me to thank you for the very valuable services and assistance which the Y. M. C. A. has rendered to the American Expeditionary Force in handling these exchanges. Handicapped by shortage of tonnage and land transportation the Y. M. C. A. has, by extra exertion, served the army better than could have been expected, and you may be assured that its aid has been a large factor in the final great accomplishments of the American army.

Very cordially yours,
(Signed) JOHN J. PERSHING.

BELL RULER IN REAL GRAUSTARK

American General Is Only Constituted Authority in Luxembourg.

LIKE BIT OF FAIRY TALE

Yankee Division Living Amid Kaleidoscope of International Spies, Revolutionists, Conspirators and Beautiful Princesses.

By CAPT. ROBERT J. CASEY, In the Chicago Journal.
Goesdilling, Luxembourg.—General Bell is president of Graustark now. His division—to which we have finally become attached—is living amid a kaleidoscope of international spies, revolutionists, conspirators, counter-conspirators and beautiful princesses. All day long the white highways are filled with dashing couriers. All night long vigilance committees lie awake trying to figure out what new plan of government to start off the next day with. It is certainly a strange situation for a poor, guileless lot of infantry and artillery.

It isn't officially set down in the records that the general is the last word hereabouts, but no one—even the most ardent revolutionary leader—fails to admit that his is the only constituted authority. So long as he continues to sit in state at the kirche the plotters don't get much of a chance to raise a disturbance.

The Storm Breaks.
The storm broke in the tepid today Battery F, 123rd field artillery, arrived here after the long march from the Meuse.

We were just turning across the River Alzette when a purple limousine all trimmed with gold and displaying a brace of silver-branded admirals in the front seat came down the Luxembourg City Highway and frightened the gullion's male into hysterics. The battery was called to attention and salutes were exchanged before it was realized that the beautiful Marie Adelaide, grand duchess of Luxembourg and royal princess by her own right, had just passed. Not knowing anything about local politics we couldn't guess that something had gone wrong.

That night, however, a bulletin was tacked to the door of the schoolhouse annex—now doing service as a battery kitchen—stating in French and German that Marie Adelaide had abdicated in favor of her sister, Charlotte, and that if the populace would try to keep calm, the government would try to continue doing business at the old stand.

The story of the revolt, when translated out of two or three mixed languages, is a Grimm's Fairy Tale sort of thing. The beautiful Adelaide, it seems, had been something of a popular idol in Luxembourg prior to the war. There is a legend connected with her attitude toward the advancing Prussians that once was current and credited in all parts of the duchy. According to this story, the grand duchess was shocked when the Germans refused to respect the neutrality of her country. Luxembourg's army on paper consisted of 250 men and actually mustered some 70 sturdy troopers.

The minister of war naturally figured that he didn't have much of a chance in opposing Germany, so the princess undertook moral suasion. She drove out to the border and lay down across the road and uttered the sentence famous for a time throughout the duchy: "You dare not pass."

Duchess Was Misinformed.
But, alas for the proper climax of the story, the beautiful Adelaide had been misinformed. They did dare to pass.

A couple of bravny hussars picked the princess up, deposited her alongside the road and executed a neat forward march. That night the invading generals dined at the princess' palace in Colmar-Verg.

There is no way of determining what was the political persuasion of the populace during the four years that followed. Luxembourg seems to have been favored at the hands of the Hun—that is, so far as Hun hands ever favored anybody but the Hun. There was little of the conscription of foodstuffs and farming materials as practiced in Belgium and France. Luxembourg was preserved as a market in

which the rich folk of the kaiser's empire might purchase the delicacies that war regulation had deprived them of at home.

However gently the wily Hun may have treated Luxembourg on his first trip into France, pro-Germanism is an unpopular vice in this country just now. Nobody loves a loser. Hence the grand duchess, who had become engaged to a German noble during the war, suddenly found herself an object of suspicion. After a parley with some committeees another throne was vacant. We don't know how long the Princess Charlotte remained in possession, but she stepped down, too, and the affairs of state passed into the hands of the revolutionists.

This country is a piece of a fairy tale. It is called, truthfully enough, "Little Switzerland," and is peaceful, well kept, clean and simple.

Fat fowl and fat babies play about the cobbled door yards.

It's almost impossible to imagine such a country after having been condemned to the butchered villages of the front for six months as we were.

ARMY SURGEONS REBUILD YANKS BODY AND MIND

West's Crippled Heroes Being Fitted to Make Their Own Way.

Reconstruction—no, that's too prosaic. Regeneration is the only word that can describe the remarkable work of rebuilding the wounded in the military hospitals. One feels, after a tour of one of these hospitals, that he has been permitted a visit to a divine workshop where men are fashioned in parts, put together and taught to function. God made Adam of dust, but these modern scientific surgeons make their men of wood and iron, gold and silver, bone and clay. That is the physical.

Of the mental and spiritual—that which is intangible—well, only these three surgeons blow into their men of wood and iron, gold and silver, bone and clay, a spirit. And having blown into their product this spirit, they feed the spirit. Then months later from this hospital walks a man who was a hunchback before his legs were blown off at Chateau Thierry. Now he is a draughtsman on his way to a job, confident, happy, independent. He is walking on legs of iron and wood. You would have to see him take them off before you would believe it. He walks so well. Yet his legs are no newer than his spirit or his ability as a draughtsman. Nor is his spirit or ability less firm than those new legs of wood and iron.

The Cost.

There are 1200 war wounded and sick in Letterman General Hospital in the Presidio at San Francisco. Most of these men from the Argonne, Belleau Wood, St. Mihiel, Chateau Thierry, are being remade bodily and spiritually. Of the two phases of their regeneration, the spiritual is perhaps the more difficult. For when a man is mangled of his legs, or his arms, or his eyes, he is apt to lose more than those physical assets. He loses his economic value and with it his confidence and his self-respect. For proof of that we have the legless, the armless, the blind begging on our street corners. They have lost their spirit.

Of course, this divine workshop of the military surgeons is an expensive regenerator. It takes thousands of dollars each month to carry on the work in Letterman Hospital alone, and Letterman is only one of many such hospitals, all of them run by the government.

So next April when the Victory Liberty Loan comes knocking at your door, remember that a big part of the money you lend is to be used to keep running the machinery of these divine workshops where men who were mangled for love of America are being remade.

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Barney Eidson.—adv

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WILL TRADE a good 14-inch John Deere walking plow for a small garden plow 12 inch or smaller. J. R. Lee.

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Agency for International Tailoring Co., suits to order. Saunders Bro's.—adv

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Alfalfa Seed for Sale. I have about 150 lbs. for sale at a bargain. It is not clean seed but the price will be right. Also two sewing machines. G. W. Martin, Richland, Ore.—adv

Taken Up—Stray horse, black, no brand, white spot in forehead; 3-yr-old, wt about 1300; also steel gray mare, branded J on left shoulder; 2-yr-old, wt about 600. Taken up February 13th. Owner or owners may have same by paying for feed bill and advertisement. John C. Wellingham, Sparta, Ore.—adv 2t

Stray horse has been in my field more than eight weeks. Bay with black mane and tail, white spot in forehead, weight about 1200; around three years old. Branded J on the left shoulder. Owner may have same by paying feed bill and for advertising. W. E. Martin, New Bridge.—adv

MAMMOTH JACK, "Broadway," will stand the season of 1919 at our ranch 12 miles west of Richland. Fee reasonable. H. H. & H. A. Jacobs.—adv 19p

W. A. Sisson and stepson, Robert Hibler, of Five Mile, have purchased a team; one animal from George Pritchard and the other from Thos. Jeffords.

Come in and get a free package of garden seed.