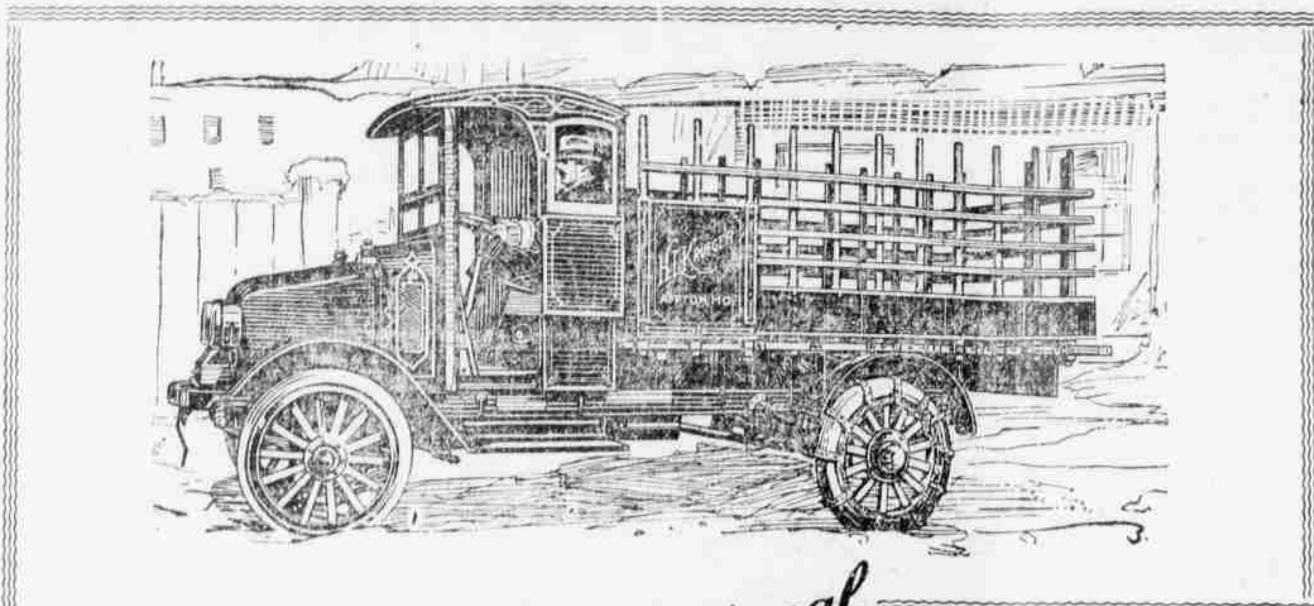


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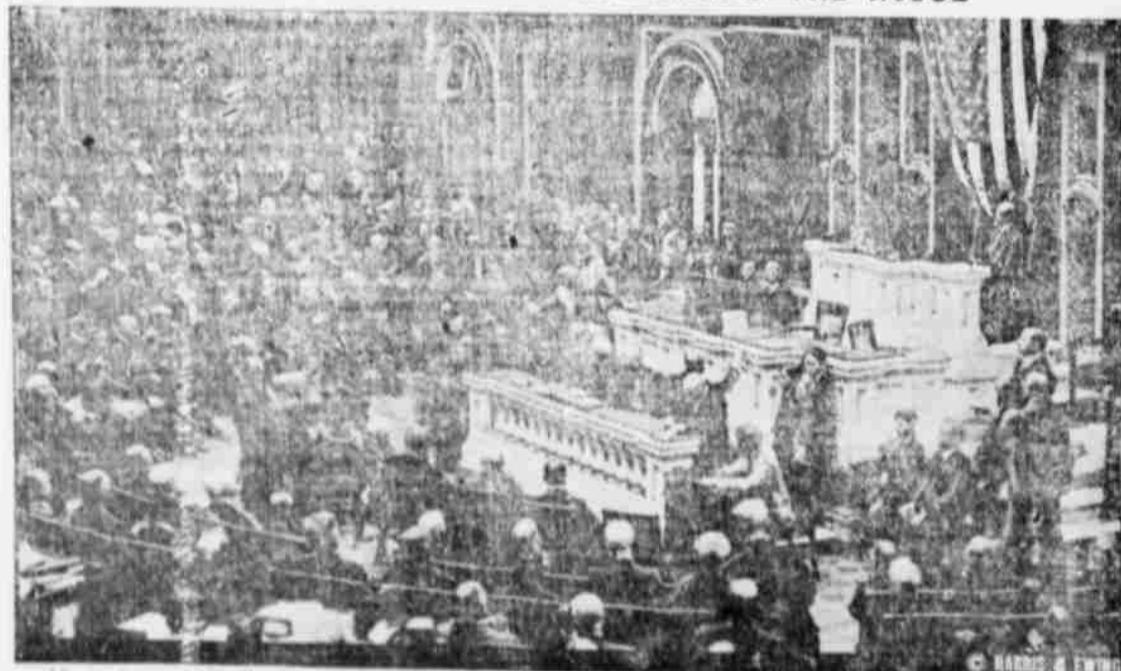
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Albert, king of the Belgians, was enthusiastically greeted by congress on the occasion of his formal visit to the senate and house. The photograph shows him addressing the house of representatives.

WORK FOR ARMY IN RURAL COUNTIES

John I. Eldridge of Morris Brothers, Inc., Portland, has accepted the state chairmanship of the Salvation Army Home Service Program of 1920. After being compelled to refuse several similar requests during the past few months, he told the Salvation Army committee waiting on him for his answer that there was nothing

else he could do and keep peace in his business establishment.

"I have 35 American Legion boys who were across the pond, out in my working force," he explained. "When I put it up to them they swung on me with a decided yes. Take it and give it the best you've got, they told me. We will handle your work for you if we have to work night and day. But we want you to help give the Salvation Army boys a chance to do in

Oregon what they did for us in France."

The more I study the Salvation Army program for 1920 the more I realize its bigness and the vital part it will play in the welfare of Oregon. I was surprised when I found the result of the labors of Salvation Army field representatives during the month they were out in the state organizing county advisory boards. The more I hear of the work of the

Salvation Army in the cities the more I want the Salvation Army to take up the relief of social distress out in the country where there are cases touched by no other organization, or by the state, that need attention of the right sort.

One of the biggest movements the state has ever had is the one in which every big business man of Oregon is behind to expand the Salvation Army service to cover the remoter sections of the state.

Taking Baby's Picture.

For either the amateur home "snapshots" or when you take baby to a "real" photographer to have her picture taken, do not "dress her up" in her best clothes, or let her know that she is to pose for her portrait. Let her wear one of her "second best" white dresses, or even a play costume, and she will be more herself than if "all decked up" in her best finery, which is almost certain to give her a self-conscious look.—Exchange.

Had Preferred Position.

Walford came home from the neighbors and his mother inquired what he was doing. He said they had been playing war and were knocking the boys down. His mother then inquired if he wasn't afraid of being hurt. "Oh, no; I was one of the knockers," he replied.

To Get Rid of Mildew Stain.

Mildew is an obstinate discoloration, but will yield if rubbed with lemon juice, followed by salt, and exposure to the sun. For mildew on other materials than linen a mixture consisting of two tablespoonfuls of turpentine, blended with the juice of a lemon, is recommended.

ADDED TO ROLL OF HONOR

Soldiers Reported "Missing in Action" Have Been Classified as "Presumed Dead."

According to The Home Sector there are still between 250 and 300 members of the American front line army still unaccounted for.

In speaking of this war mystery of missing men the ex-soldier's magazine says: "Soldiers who go into battle are like men who go down to the sea in ships. There are those who return and those who do not, those who live and those who die. And then there are those who dwell for years in a twilight zone of uncertainty, neither life nor death, from which no word ever comes back to the shores called home.

"A few weeks ago the newspapers of the country announced that there were no more members of the A. E. F. 'missing in action.' The only reason they are not missing in action is that they have been 'presumed dead.'

"There are still between 250 and 300 members of the American front line army unaccounted for, who, carried on the rolls for months and months as missing in action, seem to have disappeared from the battle field as if by the wave of a magician's wand, leaving neither the ripple of a rumor behind them, the testimony of an eye, nor a footprint in all the paths of the world.

"They are the irreducible minimum of the 50,000 lost, strayed or stolen men that the A. E. F. carried on the morning of Nov. 12, 1918, as missing in action. To guard against injustice to their relatives or friends, the war department has ordered that from henceforth they be carried as 'presumed dead' instead of 'missing in action,' in order that their war risk insurance benefits may be paid. That in brief explains why the American army as it stands demobilized today technically has no 'missing in action.'"

SLEPT AMONG THE DEPARTED

Travelers in Auto Unknowingly Selected Peculiar Place in Which to Pass the Night.

They lived in Milwaukee and "diverged" through to Indianapolis with their two children. They left home early in the morning, arriving at Gary just before dark. Anxious to reach their destination as soon as possible, they left Gary after getting a supply of gasoline.

A few miles out of Gary a heavy rainstorm checked their progress and shrouded the countryside in pitch darkness. Losing their way they decided to turn in at the first gate and spend the rest of the night in the automobile, rather than take chances of traveling by night in the darkness on unknown roads.

A few miles further on the outline of a tree just beyond an open gate was seen, and the auto was guided beneath. The couple and children slept in cramped quarters in the auto and awakened at daybreak next morning.

Imagine their horror when they discovered they had slept all night in their auto in a cemetery.—Indianapolis News.

Too Beautiful.

A man and his wife went to one of the most beautiful islands in the Caribbean sea seven years ago to spend the twilight of their lives in the serene beauty of the tropics. It was a place which the husband, a seafaring man, had chosen as the nearest approach to terrestrial paradise for those who have enough money to live without working hard.

The couple landed in New York the other day with their lures and penates and a parrot. The ideal season is just about to begin in the Caribbean, but it will start and continue without this particular pair of humans. "We want an old-fashioned New England winter," said the wife. The husband was more specific. "It was great for a while, but finally it got too doleful and beautiful. We are going back to Connecticut to see some rocks and barren fields."—New York Sun.

Siberian Y. W. C. A.

Over in Siberia a staff of Y. W. C. A. workers are slowly but surely making headway in organizing an association and in interesting girls in the various activities planned for their benefit. Overcoming the mountains of difficulties which arise from the abnormal educational and social situation in Vladivostok has been a problem to be approached slowly and with eyes open.

The workers report finding a few people interested in the things which have to do with girls and with whatever information they have gathered they are carefully developing their activities. There are sewing classes and one of the workers is conducting classes in spelling and letter writing.

Prize-Fighter Congressman.

The report that Carpenter, the prize fighter, is ambitious to become a member of the French parliament, recalls the election of John Morrissey to congress on November 3, 1867, from the "Bloody Sixth" ward of New York city, says the Springfield Republican. Morrissey's famous fight, in which he defeated Heenan, took place October 29, 1858, in the no-man's land adjoining Boston Corners in Berkshire county, afterward ceded to New York by Massachusetts. The pugilist had a long record of indictments for assault and burglary and had served nine months in the penitentiary for nine breaches of the peace. He served his district in congress satisfactorily enough to be re-elected.

FORTY IDEAL AGE FOR WOMEN

English Artist Sweeps Away Time-Honored Ideas Having to Do With Spinsterhood.

There is a flurry among English spinsters. A prominent artist has come to the conclusion that a girl of forty should be man's ideal. He sweeps away all the time-honored rubbish about spinsters at the age of forty being mostly interested in cats and canaries. Here is what he has to say about the new old girl.

"The ideal age for a woman from the viewpoint of the man who studies the sex as an artist is forty years. The woman of forty is at the perfection of her beauty and has attained a settled mentality which she did not possess as a girl in her teens, or as a young woman in her twenties and thirties. At forty she is an ideal companion, pleasantly matured, tolerant and understanding. Only the ignoramus in life find joy in the society of young girls or undeveloped women."

During the war and since many women of the so-called "sweet-and-forty" age got married, a considerable number of them widows. This has led to frequent lamentations by younger women that, with the huge number of unmarried beauties about, it is unpatriotic for Cupid to show such favoritism for widows and spinsters.

CLASSED HIM AS BEGINNER

Retired Sea Captain Evidently Knew Little of "Impressionistic" School of Painting.

"I once engaged board and lodging at the house of a retired New England sea captain," says a New York artist, "and from him I received some sincere advice.

"One day, while I was busy painting, I became aware that the captain was standing behind me, gazing at the canvas over my shoulder.

"How do you like it?" I asked. "Now, it chanced that the captain's house has been without an artist boarder for several years and that I was the first follower of the Impressionist school it had ever harbored.

"The old sea dog gazed thoughtfully at the lower righthand corner of the canvas where I had thrown a mass of parti-colored splashes and splotches. "You're kinder young," said the captain, kindly. "This is your first summer outdoors at it?"

"Yes."

"Well, now, see here," resumed the captain. "There's two or three old palettes up in our shed chamber. You get one of those and try out your paints. You'll have to lose that whole corner of your canvas, I'll bet you, and it'll make your picture considerably smaller. I wouldn't do that again if I was you."—Harper's Magazine.

Nickels in London.

A letter in the Times of London points out the advantages England should gain by substituting nickel coins for bronze. To one who has merely visited Switzerland, this proposition requires little argument. In weight, bulk and convenience nickel is unquestionably preferable. With what ease can Swiss 20-centime pieces to the value of, say, 2 shillings, be carried, as compared with 2 shillings' worth of "copper!" And how this reform would lighten the bus conductor's burden! The combined weight of the 20-centime, 10-centime and 5-centime Swiss nickels is, writes the Times correspondent, only 137 grains, against the 515 grains, which 3 1/4 pence weigh. Apropos of this subject, the London chamber of commerce has decided to recommend that the government prepare for issue, when required to supplement the silver currency, nickel coins of the value, say, of sixpence, a shilling and half a crown.—Christian Science Monitor.

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