

AMERICANS AT BATTLE FRONT HIGHLY PRAISED

First Review of Army Training Behind Trenches in France Held by General Siebert—Line Stretches Interminable Distance—Evolution Perfectly Performed.

AMERICAN FIELD HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Aug. 16.—The review yesterday by Major-General William L. Siebert of all the troops of his command in training for the trenches afforded a military spectacle of international significance and historic import. It was the first time that the troops of this particular unit of the American army had been assembled in their entirety, and the display they made was deeply impressive. There have been other reviews of American troops in foreign lands—in the Philippines, Cuba, far-away Guam, and Panama—but there seemed to be an entirely new meaning to the sturdy tramp of the men of America in France today. One saw in them the symbol of their country's new adventure.

"They made me feel very proud," declared General Siebert last night, echoing the sentiment of a small but enthusiastic little handful of Americans who were permitted to see the martial display.

Setting One of Beauty.

The setting for the review was one of rare beauty. It was held upon a broad and somewhat rocky plateau in the rolling fields of France, rippling away in every direction, all green and brown with glowing crops and ripening grains.

Here and there picturesque little French villages, white walled and red roofed, snuggled amid the trees of matchless valleys. Occasionally these valleys were bathed in sunshine, and again they were hidden in the gray mist of rain. The scene was one of changing brilliance and shadow, the deep blue of the harvest sky and dazzling August sun being masked now and then by masses of

emulous storm clouds, driven along by a stiffening gale.

On European Plan.

The new army regiments are modeled upon the European plan, quite different from the old American regiments, and when on the march yesterday in columns of fours the line seemed to stretch an interminable distance along beautifully paved French roads, lined with giant trees. As the Americans passed thru the French villages en route to the reviewing field, the French peasant folk gazed at them open-eyed in amazement and admiration.

They have seen much of the American soldiers individually and in companies since their arrival, but this was the first gathering in France of the new ally, and the impression it made on the village farmers and French soldiers on leave could easily be seen and appreciated.

The French, who have been training companies and battalions of the American army, were also surprised, and it can be truthfully stated that there was a distinct pause of surprise and admiration on the part of Major-General Siebert himself when, riding at the head of the staff, he reached the crest of the reviewing platform and saw his khaki-clad command drawn up in a wonderful far-flung line before him.

Praised by French.

Attached to his staff were half a dozen French officers, including the general of a famous division, all of whom were enthusiastic in their praise of the spectacle.

As the marching troops reached a point some distance beyond the reviewing party, they reformed into columns of fours and thus stretched out, they found their way along curving and descending roads. The brown mass seemed to pass as far as the eye could see.

While the review was held at a point so remote that only persons attached to the army organization were permitted to see it, moving pictures were made both by French and American official operators, in order that the people throughout France and America can get an idea themselves of the impressive appearance the troops made when first assembled together. It was difficult to realize that they are the same men who landed in France a few weeks ago.

In telling of his pride in his command, Major-General Siebert added:

Siebert Praises Men.

"I am particularly proud of the showing the men made today, for they were not parading before ad-

miring crowds either of home folks or foreign friends. It was merely a military maneuver for them, and they did it splendidly.

"I was surprised at their facility at field maneuvers, considering the fact that since they have been here their training consisted almost wholly of the technical side of trench warfare with all the new paraphernalia of offensive and defensive tactics. During their spare time away from trench practice they have been drilled in close-order tactics, but today had the opportunity to show what they could do in the field. The result was gratifying and encouraging."

Several officers commented on the fact that never before had the attempted nickname of "Sammy" seemed so inane and so unsuited to the American troops as when stalwart, bronzed and splendid in every way, they marched by in salute of Major-General Siebert yesterday.

UNCLE SAM AFTER I. W. W.

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In instituting prosecution, attorneys have been instructed to inquire into the purposes of calling strikes and ascertain whether they were called to embarrass the government in the production of necessary materials or for other causes.

There can be no general prosecution, it was said, of I. W. W. leaders, as such, for strike activities. The industries affected, their relation to the prosecution of the war and the purposes back of calling the strike have to be considered in each individual case, it was said, as the basis of prosecution.

Bills in the Senate.

Senators who want legislation to deal with the I. W. W. situation conferred today and agreed in drafting a bill for introduction by Senator Hollis, designed to curb improper activities without injuring interests of organized labor.

Another bill aimed to reach activities of members of the I. W. W. was introduced today by Senator King. It provides for the punishment of persons who bring about breaking of contracts made by the United States for the manufacture and transportation of things needed by the government.

J. R. Magness of the O. A. C., is in the city from Corvallis to remain during the fruit harvest to assist County Pathologist Cate and others in pear ripening and storage investigations.

FIRST CAR OF BARTLETT PEARS LEAVES FOR EAST

Pear picking in Medford orchards began Wednesday and Thursday the first car of Bartlett's rolled from Bear Creek orchard, consigned to the Stewart Fruit company. Another car goes tomorrow and a car a day will go for the next few days, then the number will rapidly increase.

Picking is in progress in four orchards, the Bear Creek, Speck, Hanley and Heckman, Central Point growers.

High prices have been obtained for California Bartlett's all season and it is expected that Rogue River growers will realize fancy returns.

YOUTH LOST IN EVANS CREEK WILDS

B. S. Peart of upper Evans valley, who was in Medford Thursday, reports that much excitement was occasioned in his vicinity Monday and Tuesday, when the 13-year-old Prieststone boy became lost in the woods and did not find his way out until Tuesday night. The boy had been fishing with his uncle, 30 miles up Evans creek and left at noon for his home. He missed his way and was soon lost in the woods. He spent the night alone in the forest, and all day Tuesday wandered about. By evening half-famished and weak from hunger and exposure, he had completed a circle and reached Evans creek, three miles above where he left it. He followed the stream down to familiar surroundings. In the meantime twenty men were scouring the hills for him, some of them remaining out until Wednesday in their futile search.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 16.—Count Moritz Esterhazy, who since last June has been premier of Hungary, is expected to resign on account of ill health, according to a Vienna telegram printed in the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

FIRE DESTROYS NEWBURY'S AUTO AND WOOD SHED

A fire which destroyed the garage and woodshed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Newbury, No. 32 Mistletoe street, and communicated to the rear part of the house, awakened the entire city at 3:30 o'clock this morning and created much excitement in the immediate neighborhood of the Newbury home.

Altho Mr. Newbury's loss is estimated at about \$1300, including the destruction of his Chalmers car, valued at \$1000, he regards himself as fortunate that the house was not destroyed, as the outside boards of the rear part were burning when the firemen arrived. The firemen at once put out this part of the fire. Mr. Newbury had no insurance on the buildings or auto.


The rear part of the dwelling of Jess Houck on South Newtown street, immediately in the rear of the Newbury dwelling, was scorched by the flames of the burning garage and woodshed, but did not catch fire.

The fire was discovered just in time to prevent the destruction of the entire neighborhood. When discovered, the garage and woodshed were all in flames, the glare of which illuminated all the west part of the city. All the destruction was done before the arrival of the firemen.

Explosions of the auto tires and a small quantity of gasoline and burning electric light wires added excitement to the occasion.

The fire, it is conjectured, arose from a small spark from burning grass the evening before alighting in the woodshed and smoldering among the dry wood dust there for hours before it broke into a blaze. Messrs. Newbury and Houck burned the grass in the alley and yard adjoining the buildings early Wednesday evening. Then with a hose they wet down thoroughly the places where the grass had been burned off and went away.

Mr. Houck returned home at 9:30, and to make sure that everything was all right, again wet down the burned-off grass spaces. Mr. Newbury returned home about 11:15 p. m. and he, too, looked all around and saw no vestige of a fire or spark in either the woodshed or the garage.



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Announcing an Event of Greatest Importance Because of the Extraordinary Values Provided

It is not necessary that we go into details here regarding our necessity for the FINAL DISPERSAL of all remaining stocks and odd lots. Modern store keeping does not permit of goods being carried from one season to another, even though the goods on sale are to be worn for several months to come, and even though the cost of these goods is higher at wholesale than what they may be purchased at retail. This brief outline of the nature of this August Dispersal Sale, we believe, convinces you of the extraordinary values that have been provided so as to make SURE AND CERTAIN that stocks set aside for disposal will be sold out in shortest, quickest possible time.

August Dispersal Days Start Saturday, August 18, and End Friday, August 31

- Final Dispersal of All Spring and Summer Suits. The reductions are particularly decisive on the price of all wool suits. Wash suits have been reduced to a point that the woman who has not as yet purchased, will do so immediately when she learns of these new costs.
- Final Dispersal of Wool, Silk and Cotton Dresses. A very extensive collection for this time of the year, which in itself is one of the main reasons why prices have been so drastically reduced.
- Final Dispersal of Certain Lots of Waists and Skirts. Though it is a positive fact that every waist and skirt in our store can be sold at its regular cost, we have selected certain lots, and GREATLY REDUCED prices to make this August Dispersal Sale of a broad scope.
- Final Dispersal of Various Lots of Dress Materials. It may surprise you to learn that every yard of dress goods in our store is worth at wholesale what it is being sold at retail. In many cases, we cannot duplicate the same materials at our present retail prices.

Women's Fancy Sport Wash Suits

- Five lots, greatly reduced.
- \$4.00 2-piece Duck Stripe Suits. **\$2.79**
- \$4.50 2-piece Wash Stripe Suits. **\$3.29**
- \$3.50 2-piece Wash Stripe Suits. **\$2.89**
- \$3.25 2-piece Wash Stripe Suits. **\$2.19**
- \$2.50 2-piece Wash Stripe Suits. **\$1.49**



Sport Skirts

- 1 lot \$2.00 Sport Wash Skirts at **\$1.49**
- 1 lot \$2.50 Stripe Wash Skirts at **\$1.75**
- 1 lot \$3.95 Wool Sport Stripe Skirts at **\$2.98**
- 1 lot \$12.50 Sport Stripe Taffeta Skirts at **\$7.98**



Waists and Aprons

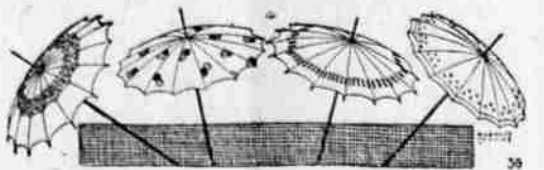
- 1 lot White Waists at, each **75c**
- 1 lot \$2.50 Waists, sale price **\$1.25**
- 1 lot Aprons at, each **25c**



WHITE GOODS FOR LESS

- 35c grade at **25c**
- 50c grade at **41c**

- ### BROKEN LOTS IN GOSSARD CORSETS
- All \$8.50 Gossard Corsets at **\$6.50**
 - All \$7.50 Gossard Corsets at **\$5.50**
 - 1 lot High Grade Corsets, all small sizes, at pair **49c**
 - 1 lot \$5 and \$6 Pure Linen Automobile Dusters **\$3.49**
 - 1 lot Embroideries, 15c and 20c value, at **10c**
 - 1 lot Children's 50c Cloth Hats at **39c**



- 1 lot Parasols to \$2.95, at **\$1.25**
- 1 lot Parasols to \$3.75, at **\$2.49**
- 1 lot Parasols to \$6.50, at **\$3.75**
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- 1 lot \$4.95 Bathing Suits at **\$2.98**



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