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THE GERMAN COLONIES

THE pope in his peace proposals suggested the return of German colonies as a peace preliminary, and various German inspired suggestions have been put forth as feelers to the effect that Germany was willing to evacuate Belgium in return for the restoration of her colonies.

Altho the German government has never officially even hinted at its peace terms, it is remarkable how German intrigue is constantly at work to make it appear that the entente allies are to blame for rejecting peace conditions that have never been proposed.

Great Britain played an insignificant part in seizing German colonies, and Great Britain possesses no power to force the return of these colonies. German colonies in the Pacific were seized by the Japanese, by the New Zealanders and by the Australians.

Kiau-Chau, the territory grabbed by Germany from China, and some of the islands held by the Germans, were taken by Japan. The balance of the South Pacific islands were taken either by New Zealand or Australia.

French colonials from the French Congo, assisted by Belgians from the Belgian Congo, and a few British, took the Kamerun, and are holding it. Most of the territory was forced from France in 1911.

Germany proved a failure as a colonizer in Africa. Her regime was the bloodiest ever known. Germans practically exterminated the Herrero and other native races and thereby lost labor to make their colonies productive.

It is beyond the power of Great Britain to return German colonies, even tho the desire existed. The welfare of humanity demands that the helpless primitive races be protected from extermination and the rule of terrorism.

We are fighting to make an end of this sort of a thing—to make the world safe from the beast, and the world will never be safe for anyone as long as German militaristic efficiency in frightfulness bestrides the world as a Frankenstein colossus of scientific barbarism.

FRENCH WOMEN MAKE AMERICAN FLAG FOR PERSHING

AMERICAN TRAINING CAMP IN FRANCE, Oct. 14.—The mayor of the town in which the American field headquarters is located presented General Pershing today a silken American flag, on behalf of the women of the town, who made it.

In his presentation speech, the mayor referred to the splendid sacrifices of the women of France and America, who not only were sending away their sons to fight for democracy, but were making the war possible by their energetic work at home.

"This occasion brings home to us the tenderness with which our own women bade us good bye. This war is being fought by women. It is women who suffer and lend courage

to us. Women are the ones to whom honor will be due when the war is over and they will deserve honor for their aid in establishing democracy."

A granite tablet was placed in the wall of the Hotel de Ville today with an inscription in gold letters commemorating the establishment of the American headquarters in the town in September.

GOOD SCHOOL PROGRAM ENJOYED AT DERBY

That the people of Derby are solidly back of their school was amply demonstrated Friday evening when practically every one in the community assembled at the school house and enjoyed a social evening planned by the teacher and pupils.

Forty dollars and 25 cents was raised from the sale of boxes, the money to be used in the purchase of a flag, a clock and other needed articles for the school building.

The school children, directed by their teacher, Miss Gladys Holmes, entertained the audience during the early part of the evening with music, readings, and short plays.

WAR TAX UPON RAILROAD TICKETS AND ALL SHIPMENTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15.—The first information as to the method of applying the new war tax to the sale of passenger and freight transportation was supplied yesterday at the general offices of the Southern Pacific, 65 Market street, where officials have been diligently studying the bill since it was introduced in congress.

Of primary importance to the more populated centers is the announcement that suburban commuters will escape taxation under the provision which exempts commutation trips for distances of forty miles or less, and which limits taxable tickets to a valuation of over thirty-five cents.

The new law becomes effective on November 1 and imposes a war tax of eight percent on passenger fares except as noted and three percent on all freight shipments.

This passenger tax is to be imposed upon tickets which are part of thru trips to Canada or Mexico. To other foreign countries a stamp tax is placed on all tickets costing over ten dollars.

The Southern Pacific, on its Pacific system, carries about four million passengers a month. Auditor T. O. Edwards of the company estimates that of this number the amount exempted because of commuter or low rate classification, will be three million. This leaves a million a month, or twelve million passengers annually subject to taxation on the Southern Pacific system alone.

The application of the tax to mileage or scrip sales is awaiting further information from government officials.

On Sleeping Berths. Ticket agents will collect the war tax at the time of the sale of transportation. The tax on cash fares will be collected by conductors, who will also be responsible for collecting the tax on tickets sold prior to November 1 and not used until that day or later, provided agents have not already collected the tax and made a notation to that effect on the ticket.

The rate of ten percent will apply on the purchase of seats in observation cars, berths or staterooms on its river steamers, says the Southern Pacific. Sleeping car tickets also come in for ten percent, the method of collection to be announced by the Pullman company.

Three Percent on Freight. The three percent tax on freight charges offers to exemption either as to amount or distance, except on shipments for the U. S. government, or the state, and on export and import business, and strictly company business, such as the transport of materials for the use of the carrier itself or its subsidiaries, over its own lines.

While the government holds the carriers responsible for the collection of this tax, the bill provides that the person purchasing the service shall pay the tax.

Card of Thanks. We desire to thank all those who were so kind to us during our recent bereavement. SCOTT WOOLF AND FAMILY.

HOME ECONOMICS STUDY CLUBS TO BE ORGANIZED

The extension service of the Oregon agricultural college working through the district home demonstration agents desires to have organized in every community possible study clubs in home economics. The government, realizing the responsibilities which women are now being called to carry, is recognizing the need of giving assistance in the performance of household tasks.

Home economics study clubs are social as well as instructive in nature, and any existing women's organization may use of the suggested program for this year. A definite plan of study is important and valuable to the success of any organization.

Many women's organizations in the state are accepting the home economics study club work as a basis for their work this year. Any existing organizations such as Parent-Teacher associations, granges, farmers' unions, or women's clubs may enroll for this work.

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lems and the best standard books on home economics are available at Miss McCormick's office in Medford. The programs and suggestions for study club work will be sent out on request.

Home economics includes all the sciences that have relation to better living conditions and that make for the most efficient home life. Below are suggested topics for study club work:

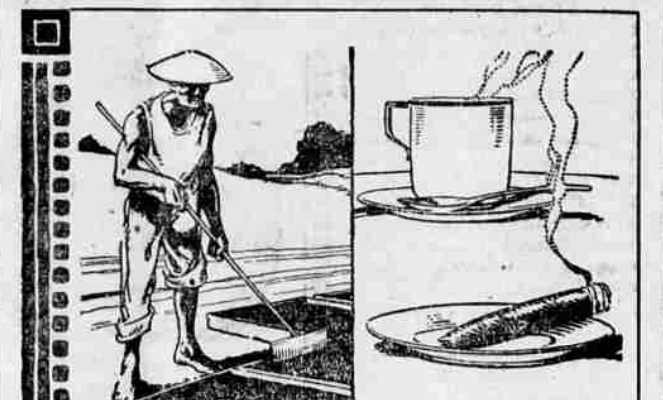
- House Furnishing and Decoration. Correct Combinations of Foods. Food Values. Principles of Cookery. Better Babies. Food for the Child. Diet of the Expectant Mother. House Sanitation. Clothing. Methods of Cleaning. Lunchees for the School Children. Household Management. Correct Table Service. Household Conveniences.

MILK DEALERS ARE REPORTED IN CONSPIRACY

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—Evidence to prove a nation-wide plot by milk producers to raise the price of that commodity was presented to federal authorities here today by Attorney General Brandage of Illinois. Ramifications of this alleged conspiracy, as indicated in Mr. Brandage's evidence, included the raising of a fund, of \$5000 to place a man friendly to the Dairymen's International league on the Hoover commission, formed to fix a just price for milk.

The evidence also showed an effort on the part of the dairymen to see President Wilson on the price fixing issue and to boycott dealers in Pittsburgh and elsewhere who refused to enter the price-fixing agreement.

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GERMAN INTRIGUES DELAY VICTORY OF ALLIED ARMIES

PARIS, Oct. 15.—Leon Daudet, editor of L'Action Francaise, who has taken a prominent part in the exposure of German intrigue in France, writes under the heading:

"I am doing my duty in the plot against France," that everyone has noticed since the war began, "that there was something rotten somewhere which delayed the victory of the allies."

He continues: "This something was German money employed within the allied countries. There was the Bolo Pasha fund for corruption of the press; the Von Baclow fund, for diplomatic intrigues, and the Hoenloche fund, for promoting crimes and sedition. The last named fund, in my opinion, was by far the most important. It was employed to promote the plot, carefully prepared for months, which broke out in both the army zone and the rear formations in May and June of this year. This plot nearly attained the results hoped for by the German government."

USE "CASCARETS" FOR LIVER AND BOWELS WHEN CONSTIPATED

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Get a 10-cent box. Take a Cascaret tonight to cleanse your liver, stomach, and bowels, and you will surely feel great by morning. You men and women who have headache, coated tongue, a bad cold, are bilious, nervous, upset, bothered with a sick, gassy, disordered stomach, or have backache and feel all worn out. Are you keeping your bowels clean with Cascarets—or merely forcing a passage every few days with salts, cathartic pills or castor oil?

Cascarets immediately cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour, undigested and fermenting food and foul gases; take the excess bile from the liver and carry off the constipated waste matter and poison from the bowels. Remember a Cascaret tonight will straighten you out by morning. A 10-cent box from your druggist means healthy bowel action; a clear head and cheerfulness for months. Don't forget the children.

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You know what that means, don't you? Getting out of the trenches for a charge. The order comes after hours and days of incessant artillery preparation. Then it's up to the men in the front lines.

Suppose you were waiting to go over the top in ten minutes. What would you want more than anything? What would be the one thing that would help—after the nerve strains of two days' roar from those big guns?

You'd want a good smoke, of course

But, on the other hand, you're not "over there." You're here because you have to be. And you have no trouble laying your hand on a pipe or cigarette. But they're scarce on the other side—cigarettes and tobacco; the kind our men like.

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