

NEED PATRIOTISM TO WIN THE WAR

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TEXAS AVIATOR IN WARNING

Appreciates Patronizing Air of Some Americans New to War—Boasts Offered Friends in France, Who Understand.

Austin, Tex.—Sergeant H. Clyde Baisley is the first Texan to return from France as a hero of the flying service of the Lafayette Escadrille...

Patriotism Must Be Aroused

'Wake up, America!' should be the slogan of the people of the United States, Sergeant Baisley said while here. 'It is so terribly necessary...

Baisley spoke of bombing Germany with American airplanes.

'Of course, it will take time. From the French viewpoint it will be 1919 before Americans can really go in...

Of German atrocities, Baisley would not speak.

'I feel as though I never want to shake hands with one of them again,' he declared. 'In the whole world there is only one I regard highly...

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In enlarging upon the American attitude as viewed from the foreign standpoint Baisley went into details.

Attitude Misunderstood.

'I speak of American bragadoos as I have seen it in France and in Paris and as I have seen it from the French angle. So many of the boys who have gone over have more or less adopted the attitude of 'Well, we're sorry for you Frenchies, but you don't know how to fight. Now that we've come over we'll show you a thing or two.'...

Led in the Rank.

Waco, Tex.—Carl M. Palmer, twelve years old, of Sanford, Mich., is believed to be Uncle Sam's youngest soldier. Carl enlisted last summer...

FAITH IN RED CROSS

Confidence of Wounded Tribute to Organization.

Discharged Veteran Tells of Heroic Devotion to Duty While Under Fire.

Chicago.—'What could any army do without the Red Cross?' asks Sgt. Ronald Kingsley, late of the Fifty-eighth Canadian infantry...

Sergeant Kingsley answers his own question. 'I think that probably the greatest tribute that can be paid to the Red Cross is the confidence of the wounded man. He feels that no matter how badly wounded he may be...

'I witnessed an incident during the battle of the Somme which I shall never forget. A Red Cross officer and four stretcher bearers came to the support trenches for some wounded men. The officer raised a Red Cross flag in plain view of the Germans and with his men began to dress the wounds and finally to put the soldiers on stretchers as they swayed off the Germans deliberately fired on the party and the officer went down. He got up and started again, but was hit a second time and did not get up.

'Almost at the same time we heard a salvo of German three-inch shells which wounded all the stretcher bearers and the wounded men received new wounds. Yet, in spite of this, another Red Cross party that same day went out and brought in wounded men. Need one say anything more? I think not.'

THE WORK OF THE RED CROSS ON THE BATTLEFIELD GOES ON NIGHT AND DAY.

Invariably the men and the ambulances are in range of enemy guns. Devotion to duty characterizes the Red Cross workers and the American boys are stimulated by this assurance.

PREACHER'S HENS ARE GOOD

Flock of 16 Laid Average of 143 Eggs Each During the Year 1917.

White, S. D.—The Rev. C. B. Denison, pastor of the Methodist Church, was interested in reading recently accounts of egg production. One concerned a flock of twenty-four hens at Jamesville which laid 218 dozen eggs in 1917...

ONE LOOK IS SUFFICIENT

Court Rules It Saves Pedestrian From Liability for Contributory Negligence.

Olympia, Wash.—One look up and down the street is sufficient to save the pedestrian from liability for contributory negligence if he gets hit by a jitney or other vehicle, which he did not see in crossing the street...

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KHAKI TRANSFORMS ARTIST

Now Engaged in Forty Lines of War Employment in the British Isles.

London.—These who have thought that the women of England might not have been doing their bit in the prosecution of the war were astonished when they entered the Imperial war exhibition at Burlington House to see forty different uniforms worn by women in service.

Not satisfied with this showing the women managers of the exhibition have issued an appeal to have women engaged in out of the way positions report, that their jobs may be added to the daily increasing lists.

BURNING GAS WELL TAMED

Flames Finally Brought Under Control After Burning for Eighteen Months.

Pasco, Wash.—Out in the sagebrush-covered wastes of Eastern Washington there has just been tamed a big gas well, and development work on the property is now under way. The flow of gas was discovered three years ago, when a misguided settler drilled for water and had a four-inch pipe blown out of the ground.

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GERMAN PRISONER BLIGHT HINTED

360 British Released From Ruhleben by Exchange Have 'Barbed Wire Fever.'

London.—All England has been stirred by the return of 360 soldiers and civilian prisoners of war from Ruhleben, Germany, some of whom are fishermen who were surprised by the Germans in the North sea immediately after the declaration of war...

'PALL OVER ENTIRE COUNTRY'

Report Few Trains Running, Stations Deserted, Smoke From but Few Chimneys—Fuel Shortage in Germany Acute.

Symptoms of Barbed-Wire Fever. 'Barbed-wire fever is the nervous strain that is telling with increasing force—especially in the case of the older men, who cannot take so much exercise—upon the hundreds of men who have spent over three years on that unhappy course,' says the Manchester Guardian.

'They were bitterly disappointed that the attempt of our government to abolish Ruhleben altogether by an exchange, however, it might advantage the Germans, came to nothing, and many of the repatriated men are convinced that there may be an increase of mental cases if Ruhleben continues much longer. You could see the marks of nervous excitement on many of their faces, and probably the reaction from being set free will be felt severely by the men of more sensitive minds.'

From a few of the civilian prisoners something of the condition of affairs in Germany was learned. Illustrations supporting the general impression, according to the Daily Telegraph, 'that the war has entirely changed the conditions of life in the enemy country, which has ceased altogether to display that air of cheerful prosperity which characterized the Germany of peace days.'

Germany, it was said, presented the appearance of a country 'under a blight.'

'I was very much struck when traveling through the country' said one of the men, 'with the dead look of everything. Even in one of the great towns through which we passed there seemed to be little going on, and the railway stations were almost entirely deserted. On the line between Spinnaker and Hannover we did not see a single passenger train, and the goods traffic appeared to be quite negligible. The fields were devoid of cattle, and on the whole journey I saw less than a score of sheep.'

TRICKS HUM OFFICERS

British Courier Gets Help From the Enemy.

Handle Confidential British Dispatches, but They Do Not Know It.

London.—Two German officers recently handled more than a dozen cases of confidential British dispatches, but they did not know it.

The story is one of the many adventurous incidents which befall that select body of British public servants who wear a silver greyhound in their buttonhole and are known as King's messengers. Many imagine that anyone who carries dispatches for the British government is a King's messenger. This is not correct. There are only five men who hold commissions in that service. The others are merely admiralty couriers or war office couriers and have no right to the higher title.

The particular messenger who outwitted the two German officers was burdened with 17 bags of dispatches for a British embassy, and he had to change trains at night at a station in a neutral country. His heap of baggage was near the sleeping compartment when his train drew near, but there was no porter available. He had only put five of the bags into the compartment when the warning whistle was sounded that the train was starting.

The messenger was in a dilemma. He could not let the five bags go without him, nor could he leave the other dozen on the platform. At that moment he caught sight of two German cavalry officers. It was a risk to speak to them, but in his best South German dialect and with his face in shadow he requested their help. They were less haughty than the average German officer and each one lent a hand.

The last bag was bundled aboard with the train already in motion, and the messenger waived his thanks, then locked the door and collapsed on the nearest seat.

FIND SUBSTITUTE FOR OPIUM

Johns Hopkins University Experts Make New Drug From Coal Tar.

New York.—Discovery of a new agent as a substitute for medicines derived from opium was announced here by Dr. David I. Macht of Johns Hopkins University at the annual meeting of the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine.

The substitute is a coal tar derivative and has been named benzyle benzoate. It has met with the approval of Doctor Brown, head of the intestinal clinic of Johns Hopkins university, Doctor Macht said.

The new agent, Doctor Macht explained, relaxes the muscles, giving the patient the same beneficial effects as opium derivatives without their ill effects.

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BABE IS BORN IN A SKIFF

Stork Comes While Mother Is Being Removed From Water-Bound Home.

Cincinnati.—The baby of Mrs. J. V. Bogert, forty, of Newport, is doing fine despite the fact that it was ushered into this world during the overflow of the Ohio, under unfavorable circumstances. While her husband was removing her from her water-bound home in a skiff Mrs. Bogert gave birth to a girl. The icy waters from the Ohio swirled around the skiff.

Hid Gold in Biscuits.

San Francisco.—A Chinese, who was customs inspector at the Orient, showed the customs inspector a tin box full of biscuits, which he said he was taking along to eat on the way across. The inspector opened one of the biscuits and found a \$20 gold piece. Altogether nearly \$500 was found in the biscuits.

IT'S OUR WAR NOW

By Henry Russell Way of the Vigilantes.

It is the work that is done, not even if you think you are doing a bigger job WE ARE AT WAR.

Loyalty in these days should consist of acts, not in mere words. IT'S WAR.

The only place for a "proclaimer" now or tomorrow, is his ground, his hole. Nobody wants to see or hear him in the open, now or after the war.

Show consideration for other workers, so as to make it easier for them to do their bit FOR OUR WAR.

We are fighting for the lives of our own and for those who believe in justice and decency. It is time the masked German barbarians were thoroughly licked, and then branded for ever. IT'S WAR TO THE FIN ISH.

Every courtesy should be shown to the woman conductor. She is filling her position better probably than you could, and perhaps the one she has replaced, and the one you have sent over there are fighting side by side.

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NATIONAL ARMY MAY HELP

Last year, in spite of all the difficulties, the farmers planted the largest acreages in the history of the nation, harvested record crops of most important things except wheat, and succeeded in greatly increasing the number of live stock. Since last year's plentiful farm labor has been given deferred classification and the secretary of war has asked for power to furlough soldiers of the National Army if their training permits, so that they may return to their farms and assist. It is believed that the farmers of the nation can, by effective organization and co-operation, with such assistance as can be furnished again overcome labor difficulties and produce large quantities of food, feedstuffs and live stock.

There is an opportunity now for urban people sympathetically and constructively to study the farm-labor situation and to render assistance. In many towns and cities there are men who have had farming experience, who are able-bodied, and who would doubtless be willing to serve the nation in the field of agriculture at this time. Especially for the seasonal strains of planting, cultivating and harvesting, it will not be too much to ask such men to aid the farmers in the necessary undertaking of maintaining and, if possible, supplementing, the food supply in order to feed the armies and to sustain the civilian population behind them.

CIVILIANS SHOULD HELP

If soldiers are willing to serve in the trenches, to dig ditches, build railroads and risk their lives, many civilians can well afford to spare a part of their time to serve in the furrows and in the harvest fields. If it appears that the farmers of a community or region are not able to secure the necessary labor by the usual methods, then the leaders in the town or city immediately dependent upon that region should organize, establish touch with representatives of farm leaders, and see if they cannot assist in solving the problem. In so doing they will not only aid the farmers of the nation, but they will vitally contribute to their own well-being and to that of their community.

THE FARMERS ARE WILLING TO DO ALL THAT THEY HUMANLY CAN, BUT WHERE THEIR LABOR SUPPLY CANNOT BE FURNISHED FROM THE ORDINARY SOURCES, IT MUST BE RECRUITED FROM THOSE WHOSE VERY SUSTENANCE DEPENDS UPON THE FARMERS. THE SOLDIER AND THE FARMER ARE EGGER TO DO THEIR FULL SHARE; THE SOLDIER IS TAKING THE CHANCES OF LOSING HIS LIFE AND THE FARMER IS RISKING THE LABORS OF A YEAR ON THE CHANCE OF THE SEASONS; BOTH INCUR RISKS. VERY MANY CIVILIANS ARE EQUALLY EAGER TO DO THEIR SHARE, BUT MAY NOT APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE.

THE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE AND LABOR WILL RENDER EVERY POSSIBLE AID, BUT EACH COMMUNITY KNOWS ITS OWN PROBLEMS, AND URBAN PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY BUSINESS MEN, COULD CO-OPERATE EFFECTIVELY WITH THE FARMERS AND ALSO RENDER MUCH ASSISTANCE.

AN ELECTRIC CAT

Cleveland, O.—A cat has been in the habit of sleeping on a rubber mat under a dynamo in Cleveland's power house. Somebody removed the mat the other day, and the cat slept on an iron plate. It didn't seem to hurt the cat, but her fur became so charged with electricity that ever since it has crackled and like the bristles of a comb.

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CALL OF THE WILD.

Speaking at a dinner, Senator John W. Weeks of Massachusetts, referred to the good old vacation time, and related a story along that line.

Two men were sitting at a lunch table in a city cafe. Outside the air was soft and balmy and everything in nature was a sweet allurements to buy a railroad ticket and hasten to the woods.

"It is in my system," remarked one of the pair, glancing through the open window. "There is nothing so appealing as the call of the wild."

"It may strike you that way, old fellow," smiled the second, "but right here I beg to cast a dissenting vote."

"You don't know what you are talking about, Jake!" enthusiastically returned the first. "Did you ever hear the call of the wild? Did you ever—"

"Yes," answered Jake, with something akin to a sigh. "From the head of the stairs the other night when I didn't get home until two o'clock in the morning."

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