

WAR HERO SMILES AT LOSS OF LEGS

Declares He Will Walk Again and Asks for Typewriter.

VICTIM OF HUN BRUTALITY

Both Legs Amputated as Result of Injuries Received When Germans Bombed Hospital. He Has Become Champion Optimist and Cheer Producer of War—Amazes Doctors and Nurses.

Probably the champion optimist and cheer producer that Uncle Sam's war against the Hun has developed is a ruddy-faced lad who is now a patient at Walter Reed General Hospital just outside of Washington. His name is Aubrey McLeod.

McLeod had worked part of his way through Purdue when the call came from his country for troops on the Mexican border. McLeod, then a graduate of Purdue, was a woman. The next day she went three now—went with the first to keep the Mexicans from murdering dead outside of their own halliwick.

When President Wilson accepted the bloody gauntlet thrown down by the Hun, McLeod, having been mustered out, took virtually the next boat for France. He enlisted in the Harvard ambulance unit. Shortly thereafter he was doing his work of mercy at an English-American base sector, where he saw six months' service.

Huns Bomb Hospital. One night last September, while McLeod was sleeping in the hospital tent, several Hun aviators flew over the place dropping bombs. The explosions killed Lieutenant Fitzsimmons of the army medical corps, three privates, Lieutenants Charles A. McGuire, Thaddeus D. Smith and Rex W. Whidden, officers of the reserve corps, six privates, an army medical corps nurse and 22 wounded British Tommies, were injured. McLeod was one of the privates wounded. Both feet were shattered. Two big holes were torn in his back. Gas gangrene set in, and the feet were amputated.

But McLeod's cheery disposition remained untouched. All he said was, "Cut 'em off, doctor, give me a pair of wooden feet and I'll go back to soldiering."

On four different occasions after that McLeod's wounds developed gangrene and speedy amputations were necessary. After the last operation McLeod's two legs were left no longer than a man's fingers.

And despite all this, McLeod is the same cheery, enthusiastic boy that he was when he entered the service. McLeod's case is unique in medical history. The army medical corps doctors are going to try to fit artificial legs to the stumps of his left leg. If they are successful, it will be the first time on record that a man with such short amputations will have regained what McLeod calls the "exquisite joy of walking." With such short stumps he will have to "walk with his shoulders," McLeod says he'll "do it or bust."

Amazes the Doctors. The army doctors are constantly amazed at McLeod's unquenchable spirit. They have seen few who look forward to a life of contentment and actual joy after tribulation. But he does. Because of this inspiring mental attitude of McLeod, the army doctors want to keep him, if possible, in the service to do work in special hospitals and rehabilitation work to help bring wounded Spaniards back to mental as well as physical health.

McLeod, in ward R, is a boy in the army doctors, the army nurses and all patients with whom he comes in contact.

Outside of his desire to try out his artificial legs, McLeod has one obsession. He wants a typewriter. He wants it badly.

OVERALLS FOR SKIRTS

Factory Girls in Indiana Decide to Wear Them.

Thirty-five girls, employed at the plant of a buggy company, in Evansville, Ind., now wear overalls at their work. Many of the girls who took the places of men who now are fighting in France or are at some military cantonment have found that skirts interfere with their work. A mass meeting of the girls was held recently at the factory, and by a unanimous vote it was decided that they should discard skirts for overalls. A few girls and women have worn overalls in their homes and gardens, but this will be the first time the members of the sex have worn them in an Evansville factory.

Hun Bibles Waste Paper. German Bibles are waste paper. In a "cleansing" campaign in Portland, Ore., piles of waste paper were collected at the different department stores and when the material was sorted over a stack of old Bibles, printed in German, were found.

Irish Train Sets New Record. A record for railroad traveling is reported from Ireland. A special train reported from Belfast to Dublin, a distance of 115 miles, in 107 minutes and the return journey was accomplished in 109 minutes.

WHY German Woman Lost Her Desire for Revenge

A German woman, after her husband was killed in the Russian invasion in east Prussia, to avenge the death of her husband disguised herself and entered the army. She advanced quickly to corporal and sergeant. When at Kromm the Germans made an amazing number of prisoners the woman sergeant was ordered to march a thousand of them to the nearest Prussian fortress. It was a hard task to march a thousand men with the assistance of two corporals and ten privates. The order was to shoot anyone who attempted to leave the ranks. The transport was passing through a village. A peasant woman stood in the door of one of the huts and she noticed among the prisoners her husband. She called him and he sprang out of the ranks and four rifles were leveled and made ready to kill the man in the command of the sergeant. The peasant woman, flung herself at the sergeant's feet.

"That's my husband," she pleaded. "Don't shoot him. He's all I have." The sergeant's heart warmed. "You may keep him," she said. When they arrived at the fortress she reported the incident and confessed that the husky bear of a boy—she is twenty—was a woman. The next day she went three now—went with the first to keep the Mexicans from murdering dead outside of their own halliwick.

LIKE TWO SILLY CHILDREN

How Great English Statesmen Discussed Matter of Immense Importance to the Nation.

"For reasons of health" is a formula which, applied to the movements of state ministers, causes the average man, whether he be Asiatic or European, to wink knowingly at his neighbor, the Christian Science Monitor ob serves. It has been found useful, ever since governments began, in all kinds of tight corners. An English judge has remarked recently that "whenever a minister does not want to meet the rest of the cabinet he goes to bed," but even this comedy sometimes fails to bring about the desired result.

For example, Pitt, who, when the French were projecting an invasion of England, retired to bed, was not spared the visit of the prime minister, the duke of Newcastle and the thorough discussion of the situation. The duke found Pitt lying in a room by cold, and asked that a fire be lit, but Pitt said he would not be able to endure a fire. There was another bed in the room, and to keep warm the prime minister got into it, and from their respective vantage points the two conferred as to whether Admiral Hood should sail for the French coast or not. Presently another cabinet minister arrived, and he wrote subsequently "I could hardly keep my gravity at seeing two ministers of state deliberating upon a subject so important in so toberous a manner."

Why Soldiers Are Fatalists. There is a strong feeling of fatalism among the soldiers of all armies. There is a feeling that if the bullet is not made for you, you will come through all right. One Frenchman told me that he knew he would come through all right, for when he first went in a shrapnel shell burst in front of him at the Marne and a large piece of it came down at his feet. He picked it up and found it shrapnel all right," he said, "and if I don't get me home, I'll get me home."

How Women May Become Stronger. At Stanford University, Drs. Chas. D. Mosher and E. G. Martin have been studying the relative muscular strength of college women. They came to the conclusion that there is no difference due to sex as such. The differences commonly found are attributed to differences in the use of the muscles brought about by the conventional limitations of activity of the dress.

Doctors Mosher and Martin say that a high degree of muscular power in the neck muscles, for example, may be a distinct mental disability.

How King Albert Lives in War. People frequently wonder where the king of Belgium is today and how Belgium operates her government with 95 per cent of her population interned within the German lines. The king of Belgium lives in the open meadows of Belgium, in the middle of about 25 square miles of territory still intact. It is a place called Les Moers. His residence, a country mansion, resembles Mount Vernon viewed from the west, a white, plain, simple two-story building, with a garden in front well planted with flowers.

How Wild Animals Become Tame. The official protection given them by the state game commission and the United States forest service in their efforts to preserve the deer, elk, antelope and mountain sheep that roam the Colorado forests has resulted in large herds of the animals becoming domesticated. It is no unusual sight in the towns bordering the Uncompagn reported from Ireland. A special train reported from Belfast to Dublin, a distance of 115 miles, in 107 minutes and the return journey was accomplished in 109 minutes.

THE KITCHEN CABINET

I will this day try to live a simple, sincere and serene life, exercising economy in expenditure, carefulness in conversation, diligence in appointed service, fidelity to every trust and a childlike faith in God. John Vincent.

GOOD EATING. When rabbits are easily obtained, as they are in many sections of our country, they are common and not expensive, making a most wholesome and varied menu for our army.

Larded Rabbit Baked in Milk. Spread over the dressed rabbit thin slices of salt pork. Set in the oven and brown, basting often with milk. Sprinkle with flour, and after well browned lower the heat, cooking for an hour longer. When perfectly tender, remove the rabbit and make a gravy with the milk and liquor in the pan. Season well, although the meat should have been seasoned during its cooking. Serve with green croquettes and currant jelly. The jelly may be placed in a small hollow in the croquette and they may be used as a garnish to the platter of rabbit.

Hasenpfeffer Rabbit. Divide the rabbit in serving sized pieces, including the liver and heart, carefully wash and drain. Try out some fat salt pork and add two steered onions to the fat, when yellow, add two tablespoonfuls of flour, mix well and add a quart of cold broth, a teaspoonful of salt, a bit of bay leaf, a half teaspoonful of peppercorns, four cloves and the rabbit. Cover and let simmer until the rabbit is tender. Add a tablespoonful of butter, a half cupful of fruit juice or the juice of an orange, two lumps of sugar and a handful of raisins. Cook until well seasoned, the sauce should be spicy, both sweet and sour and not too thick.

Cardinal Peas. Cook canned peas in a little syrup with a half a glass of currant jelly. Cool and serve on oblong pieces of sponge cake, cover the peas with the thickened syrup and top with whipped cream. Sprinkle with almonds shredded.

Ripe olives may be better enjoyed if smoked in a tin overnight to which a clove of garlic has been added. Dip fresh parsley into a cupful of hot water in which an eighth of a teaspoonful of soda has been added. It makes the parsley more brilliant, then chop the parsley with a sharp knife and sprinkle over the fish to be garnished.

Nellie Maxwell The KITCHEN CABINET

We ought to be content ourselves with the beautiful, we must keep our eyes fixed on the goal, but not to get it, indeed, to make it a sacrifice of it to us. George

SPRINGTIME FOODS. It is necessary to have a system of housekeeping when the early spring comes. The body needs the relief of fresh, natural food to prepare us for the work of the spring.

Nature provides it in the spring just the foods we need, without resorting to the time-honored sulphur and iodine treatments, through which many of us have suffered.

This condition contains calcium, the tonic which is in so many spring medicines. This acts directly on the liver stimulating it to healthy action, the best of all.

One of the worst features of our living, for it is a life to the body. The liver from impurity and plenty of food becomes clogged and does not do its work, hence, biliousness and various other annoying ailments. The liver is one of the most important organs in the body and must be kept free to work its process of elimination. When clogged the whole machinery of the body is out of order.

Cowslips are another early vegetable which may be found in almost any neighborhood, the exercise used in going for, and bringing them home is not the least of their value. Spinach, Swiss chard, pepper grass and lettuce should be found in every garden.

Early radishes may be raised long before the garden crop is ready by putting a few seeds into a hotbed, or a large flower urn, cover with glass for a white, and with plenty of water the radishes will soon be ready for the table. If you are fortunate enough to have a hotbed, you may have one of the best early spring radishes well as one of the best head-onions.

Those who do not like olive oil may have been turned against it by being served with a rancid oil or one of inferior quality. Oil should be sweet, nutty and of a most appetizing odor and taste.

Nellie Maxwell

Wastefulness Is Sinful; It Is a Crime When the Nation Calls for Thrift—Pointers.

The lover of thrift is often confronted by directions for household economy emanating, as trial shows, from abstract, rather than practical, domestic science. Try these suggestions from an old-fashioned New England housewife:

- 1. Eggs are not needed for a rice pudding.
2. Milk is not needed in cake made with baking powder.
3. Milk is not needed for any kind of whole wheat bread. Even when milk is omitted and is cheap, water is preferable.

- 4. Half, or even quarter, of a yeast cake will raise a good amount of bread for baking.
5. "War Cake" which calls for a package of raisins and much shortening is not economical.
6. Do not allow a servant to throw out remnants of shredded wheat left in the bottom of the box. More than a cupful is often lost.

- 7. An unstrained soup, made from remnants of yesterday's meat makes a good meal. No meat course is required therewith.
8. Are you careful to make as many pies as possible from one squash?
9. Are you careful to allow every bit of the white to drain, or to scrape it from an egg which you break?
10. Neither broken crackers, nor the crumbs in the bottom of the box should be thrown away. Use them for fish, oysters, etc.

- 11. Memoranda of all sorts, as well as rough drafts of MSS., may be kept on pieces of wrapping paper. This is the kind of economy which good housewives practiced during the Civil war.
12. Remember that the old New Englander considered wastefulness even among the rich, sinful. It is a crime when the nation calls for thrift.

Florence Mary Bennett of The Vigilantes.

Much in Little. Nearly all of the principal cities of England have policemen.

The French "horizon blue" is said to be the best color for a military uniform.

Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, California and North Carolina are the leading states in rice production.

The Dominican republic contains a greater amount of virgin land than any other island in the West Indies.

Little children of Montenegro attend small flocks of sheep while the older folks are busy with war work.

Apart from their cruelty to human beings, one of the worst offenses perpetrated by the Germans in Belgium and that part of France which they have overrun is the destruction of trees.

Wantonly to destroy orchards and forest trees as they have done for the purpose of making a desert of the land that had been like a garden is a crime against civilization. In Belgium they cut the forests, but as they cut their own, where only a certain number of trees are allowed to be retained each year but sparingly, leaving the land denuded. A hundred years will be needed to recover these forests, and trees are needed for the sustenance of every land.

In this country we have been too careless with our forests. They have not been protected as they should be. Since the pioneers first cleared enough of them away to make the farms. Now we are beginning to realize their value not only as a direct source of revenue, but as an aid in conserving moisture for cultivated lands and also as a source of beauty. And if one wishes to look at the matter commercially, beauty of landscape is in these days recognized as a distinct and valuable asset.

There is needed more trees and a wider and better understanding among the people as to what may and should be done in the way of planting trees and improving forests.

It is among young people that this interest in trees must be cultivated; they must learn the importance of orchards and forests and if a love for trees can be inculcated it will prove itself in years to come by many a tree that is a glory to the land.

For the Temporary Repair of Broken Spectacle Lens. Those who are so unfortunate as to have to wear glasses know what inconvenience and discomfort are caused by losing a lens and having to wait for a new one. Matters are helped some if a repair can be made on the spot.

"MADE IN GERMANY"

By Alice Williams Brotherton of The Vigilantes. What was it "Made in Germany?" A hellish brand of war, more fierce than that of savage tribes or heathen hordes by far.

Which harnessed earth and sea and air to Mars' blood-bolting car! What more was "Made in Germany?" A brand of hellish hate which marshaled every evil force its lust for power to satiate.

Arson and rape and murder foul upon its footsteps wait. What else was "Made in Germany?" A host of lies and spies, of typhoid cultures, poison plots, the boat's ruthless prize.

The guns of Krupp, the Zeppelin to rain death from the skies. Lost land of simple household joys, of peace, and song; How can you blot from memory such records of black wrong?

The world is sown with dragon's teeth, the harvest must be long! Cast off the Prussian's throttling yoke. Set press and people free. Sue mercy from an outraged world. No peace of earth may be Till expiation for all wrong is made in Germany.

AIR RAID VICTIMS ARE HELPED BY RED CROSS

Ambulance Drivers and Nurses Render Valuable Assistance in Paris. Dynamite is playing a big part in the war and will play a still bigger part as the airplanes multiply in the different warring nations and the work of the American Red Cross is increased thereby.

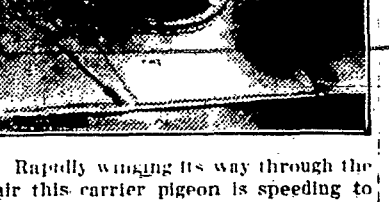
Raiders over London and Paris and other open cities by the Germans in which bombs are dropped that kill and injure many persons, create work for Red Cross ambulance drivers and nurses. At the time of the last raid over Paris the offer of help made by the Red Cross was received gratefully by the French authorities. A letter tells of it as follows:

"The Huns came in four squadrons of seven each, did their dirty work and sneaked away with the French after them. None of the men at the Red Cross war house was hurt but several had narrow escapes. My first feeling was curiosity; then I was provoked, just like you would be if you saw a big brute beat up a child, and you could do nothing.

"The people in the United States must wake up and realize we are fighting a crazy, mad nation. It is no more a time to talk than if you saw a mad dog coming for you, ready to bite. The American Indian in his painted days would never have acted like they did nor could he have conceived of such action.

"Make the people at home realize that while the fighting is 3,000 miles from the United States unless we beat them here, once for all, it will have to be done later. Horrible as it may seem, we will have to use their methods to beat sense into their heads. The Red Cross here is working hard to meet the situation."

PIGEON OFF ON ITS LIFE-SAVING MISSION



Rapidly winging its way through the air this carrier pigeon is speeding to shore to bring aid to the seaplane pilot. The British navy has supplied every seaplane, submarine and the small trawlers, unequipped with wireless, with these birds to carry messages when the craft have to send, for help. Already one carrier pigeon has saved the lives of four airmen forced to come down at sea, by flying through a gale with a message summoning aid. British official photo.

Wild Bronchos Sent. There should be plenty of bucking and pitching of bronchos riding the western front in Europe now; as 31,000 absolutely wild Canadian horses have arrived in Europe, according to Clyde Dunlop, horse wrainger, who returned to Virginia, Miss., recently from the Canadian northwest, where for 21 months he has been roping the animals.

War Instead of Tennis. Pittsburgh.—Carnegie Tech will not have a tennis team this year and the war is to blame. It is planting itself over Tech's tennis courts in the form of khaki-clad youths who are obtaining special war training.

CATCHING IT!

An Irishman was coming down one of the bridges of the Liverpool landing stage on his way to the Birkenhead boat. Over his shoulders hung a bag containing about a bushel of potatoes and in his hand he carried a stout stick.

Being under full sail, the momentum acquired in coming down the steep slope carried him nearly across the landing stage, when, seeing a boat about ten feet from him, he shook out another reef, made an astonishing spring, and jumped.

Just as he reached the dock the potato bag shifted heavily to port and fell out a clerk, who was snoking a cigar through a moose-horn holder, while the stick hit a rotting merchant in the waistband, shutting him up like a knife, and put himself assumed an involuntary devotional attitude.

He was the first to recover his portendibility, and as he replaced the bag in its normal position, he comprehensively remarked: "Be me soval, that was a powerful jump; but I got the limit, head!" "Glad the heat," shrieked the clerk spitting out pieces of amber. "Why you confounded idiot, this boat is coming in!" And so she was.

SISTERLY.



Ever Notice It? The man who walks that times are hard. You will observe full of it. Is looking for a berth in life. Particularly soft.

Not Spontaneous. "You very seldom see the clinging vine type of woman nowadays," said the old fashioned man, sadly. "They occasionally figure in bunch of promise suits," said the worldly person.

"Indeed?" "But I'm forced to conclude that clinging with them is an acquired art."

The Way of It. "The young electrician who went around calling and flirting with girls is a regular electrical spark." "Yes, and the policeman who nabbed him in the act claims to be a spark arrester."

If He Knew. Nodd: How much does it cost you to live—if that is a fair question? Todd: My dear fellow, if I knew, it would worry me so much I wouldn't be able to make half as much as I do now. —Judge.

In Those Days. "How are you feeling this morning?" asked Nodd of Meluselah. "Pretty chipped." "You look chipped." "Yes, I'm feeling like a three-hundred-year-old."

UNSYMPATHETIC.

Reggy—Dear sir, my love for your daughter has driven me hawf crazy. Her Dad—it has, eh? Well, what completed the job?

Had a Cold Yet? Don't think I'm always full of bile. And crabbid, too, and cranky. But every time I try to smile I have to use my hanky.

His Habit. "So she's suing him for divorce?" "Yes, on account of a habit of his." "I didn't know he had any bad habits." "I didn't either, but it seems, according to her story, that he had the habit of throwing the flat iron at her whenever anything annoyed him."

Brevity. "Brevity is the soul of wit." "True," replied Miss Cayenne; "but not when it relates to a shortage in fuel supply."