HELMETS REVEAL GREAT DREAM OF EX-KAISER

Gorgeous Headgear Reflects Plans for Triumphal Entry Into Paris on "Der Tag."

SEIZED BY AMERICAN BOYS IN COBLENZ WAREHOUSE

Supply of 85,000 to Be Used in New York's Victory Way.

Twelve hundred polished nickel, gunmetal and patent leather helmets, with gorgeous trappings that eclipse the splendor of the headgear of the proudest of Roman centurions, have been pyramided in Victory Way, New York city, into a monument to the millions of Americans who shattered a mad monarch's dream of the greatest triumphal entry ever conceived in military history.

These helmets are part of a supply of 85,000 seized by the American Army of Occupation in Coblenz in December, 1918. A large warehouse, guarded by a German officer, housed the precious headgear that was to adorn the heads of the German Uhlans and infantrymen when the armed legions of the Kaiser cantered down the Champs Elysees. The scorn of the Parisian was to be tempered by amazement when "Der Tag" arrived. The world was to stand aghast before the impressive spectacle.

Of all the gorgeous features of New York city's Victory Way, on the Park avenue plaza between Forty-fifth and Fiftieth streets the pyramids of helmets, with their more than ordinary significance, constitute one of the most interesting.

Back in 1916 Kaiser Wilhelm and his generals, intoxicated with repeated successes of arms, placed an order with a large German firm for the manufacture of the helmets. No grimy, unkempt German army would parade the streets of Paris. Eighty-five thousand picked soldiers, attired with scrupulous care, gleaming and glittering with military contraptions, would prove the folly of the French in opposing the will of the German war god.

The Coblenz warehouse was selected to protect the helmets until the eventful day arrived. But months ran into years. Still the headpieces were kept oiled and shiny, each wrapped carefully in paper. Thus they were found when the Americans took over Coblenz.

It has been said France fought the war for her existence, England for sport and America for souvenirs. And the Yankee penchant for souvenirs soon asserted itself. Some thousands of the helmets were distributed to the doughboys before an order came from general headquarters that the helmets were to be saved for transportation to the United States. They have been distributed for exhibition in the Victory Liberty Loan drive.

New York city's Victory Way is studded with innovations that astound the visitor. The two pyramids of helmets will be on display throughout the Victory Liberty Loan Campaign.

HOW MANY BONDS DID THE SMITHS BUY?

A Victory Bond Puzzle by Sam Lloyd.

"Well, here we are with another Liberty Loan," remarked Mrs. Smith to Mr. Smith, "and we must not forget that while the war is in its last throes there are still a million of our boys on the other side, and Uncle Sam has simply got to have the wherewithal to take the best care of them until we get them back."

"Right you are," seconded Mr. Smith, "and I'm the sort of a patriot who doesn't quit until the job is thoroughly done."

That sounds as though the Smiths are having another bond-buying contest, so let me tell you what they did in the Fourth Loan.

Mr. Smith got in first with a tidy investment, but after that every time he added a $50 bond to his pile Mrs. Smith subscribed for a $100 one, and so it went right up to the time Mr. McAdoo rang the bell, Mrs. Smith doubling Mr. Smith's every purchase.

By how much did Mr. Smith beat Mrs. Smith? Well, you see, Mr. Smith's total was $3,000, and before buying his last $300 worth he had purchased three times as much as Mrs. Smith had bought when Mr. Smith's total stood at the amount corresponding to Mrs. Smith's final total.

Now, then, who can figure out the amount of the Smiths' total investment?

NEW YORK NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Paragraphs of Interest to Readers of Empire State.

Interesting News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points in the State and So Reduced in Size That It Will Appeal to All Classes of Readers.

Akron reports a great shortage of houses.

Buffalo's Liberty loan quota is $46,346,300.

Orleans county's Liberty loan quota is placed at $807,600.

Lockport will vote on the city manager plan on June 10.

Rochester's clean-up campaign is a real success this year.

At Clifton Springs, the state guard unit is to be disbanded.

A state tractor ditcher will be operated for Livingston county.

North Tonawanda has bought a motorcycle for the police department.

Senator Calder is going to try and get cheaper coal prices for Buffalo.

The women of Livingston county will push the Liberty loan campaign.

The French language is going to replace German in the Wilson schools.

Shortsville folks are urging the war chest subscribers to pay their pledges.

Governor Smith has eliminated $2,185,243 from the annual appropriation bill.

Manchester has a village improvement society which is getting under motion.

The high price of milk in Olean is being investigated by the health department.

Livingston county sheep breeders sent their first wool clip to New York last week.

Middle West seed concerns are alleged to have swindled Cuba agriculturalists.

It is probable that the International Y. M. C. A. will meet in Rochester on Nov. 20 to 23.

Orchardists around Dundee do not think the recent cold spell injured fruit chances.

The big cheese and cold storage plant at Cuba has been sold to the A. & P. Tea company.

Owing to recent heavy rains Canandaigua has enough water for the first time in six months.

Fillmore reports a large flock of evening grosbeaks, rare birds for Western New York.

The Housel canning factory in Holley and Lyndonville have been incorporated for $50,000.

Greece will vote on a proposition to build a memorial hall at an expense not to exceed $50,000.

To encourage Holstein breeding, calves are being loaned to children in the vicinity of Hornell.

In spite of the fact that salaries have been raised, five school teachers have quit at Shortsville.

Boy Scouts of Buffalo have started a campaign for $20,000 to cover their program for the coming year.

The new plant of the Aurora-Wales Dairy Products company at East Aurora will soon be ready for business.

Sixty-six more birds of different varieties have arrived in Rochester than had come to a corresponding date last year.

The town of Sherman, Chautauqua county, has already subscribed its quota of $51,200 in the Victory Liberty loan.

Three women are on the eligible list in Olean as a result of the competitive examination for position of policewoman.

The rent profiteering orgie, said to be at its height in Buffalo just now, will probably be brought to an end by a process of law.

In Rochester a recruiting office was opened to secure men for the National Guard which is soon to replace the New York state guard.

Jamestown's quota in the Victory Liberty loan campaign has been fixed at $1,743,450, a reduction of $581,150 from the fourth campaign.

The senate passed the Fearon bill, generally increasing state apportionments of school moneys for cities and union free school districts.

State troopers in the vicinity of Tonawanda have started a crusade against those who drive auto trucks without a chauffeur's license.

State troopers are now patrolling highways around Tonawanda for the purpose of forcing compliance with the headlight laws of the state.

By means of his discharge papers the age of John F. Smith, who died the other day at the soldiers' home at Bath, has been determined as 103.

If the Orleans county supervisors give $15,000 it is probable the money will be divided among the 523 soldiers who went out from that county to war.

Knights Templar of Western New York, who for a score of years have made a pilgrimage to North Tonawanda at Easter time, did not do so this year.

The senate has passed a bill to empower the Roosevelt memorial association to condemn lands in Oyster Bay which may be considered necessary for a memorial park. The bill now goes to the governor.

The Law bill prohibiting the display in public of the red flag was passed by the assembly. It is now before the governor.

Mrs. Charles Bennett Smith of Buffalo has qualified as state civil service commissioner. Mrs. Smith succeeds Willard D. McKinstry of Watertown, resigned.

George E. Montgomery, who is promoting a shipyard for the Genesee river in Rochester, suggests the use of molten lava as the material for use in constructing the craft.

Democratic State Chairman William W. Farley announced in Albany that a league of Democratic clubs is to be formed and there will be branches of it in every section of the state.

Byron taxpayers, at a special election last week, voted to appropriate $2,500 for the purchase of a stone crushing outfit, but defeated a proposition to appropriate $4,500 for a steam road roller.

Senator John Knight has sent word to Dr. James V. Sturges, principal of the Geneseo normal school that Governor Smith has signed the appropriation bill which carries increased appropriations for construction and permanent betterments at the schools.

The county convention of the Genesee County Sunday School associtiontion at Batavia, which had been planned for last week, has been postponed to the first week in June. Definite dates and the program will be announced later.

Vexed because Senator John J. Mackrell voted for the health insurance bill, the Rensselaer County Medical society, which opposed the measure, has called a meeting to discuss the legislator's action and it is reported to make plans for his enforced political retirement.

Bernard L. Shientag of New York has been appointed chief counsel of the state industrial commission to succeed Robert W. Bonynge, who has resigned. Mr. Shientag was assistant counsel to the state factory investigating commission from 1911 to 1915. The salary is $7,000 a year.

The senate confirmed Gov. Smith's nomination of Judge Joseph A. Kellogg of Glens Falls, his counsel, as a member of the upstate public service commission. Judge Kellogg will not assume his new duties until the expiration of the 30-day period following the adjournment of the legislature.

Major General John F. O'Ryan, commanding the newly reorganized New York national guard, announced that "all the old units are to be reestablished to preserve the continuity of their existence with the glorious records of former wars augmented by honors gained on the battlefields of France and Belgium."

It has been intimated that Governor Smith will not approve the Everett bill to permit hunters to shoot one deer regardless of sex, instead of two bucks as at present. He held a hearing on the measure and listened to arguments for and against the measure. Governor Smith is said to favor an amendment to the measure.

The Rev. H. J. Van Allen, who has been in charge of the services for deaf mutes in the Episcopal diocese of Albany, Central New York and Western New York, for a number of years, died suddenly of heart attack in Utica. Although born a deaf mute, the Rev. Mr. Van Allen could speak with distinctness. He was 53 years old.

Former Sheriff James S. Merritt of Westchester county, said to have given thousands of dollars to the "down and out" during his public career, left approximately $75,000 to erect and operate a free lodging house for "indigent transients," according to the terms of the will, just made public at Portchester. The home is intended as a memorial to his mother.

In amended form, the Blakely bill to provide a three-platoon system for firemen in New York, Buffalo and Rochester after a referendum is held on the subject in the separate municipalities, was passed by the senate. As the measure passed the assembly it applied to all municipalities, but the senate insisted upon limiting the provisions to first-class cities.

Governor Smith's appointment of former Senator Walter R. Herrick of New York as head of the state narcotic drug control commission was confirmed by the senate. This action means the retirement of Frank J. Richardson of Washington county and former Senator George H Whitney of Saratoga county as commissioner and deputy. Both Richardson and Whitney were appointees of former Governor Whitman.

An application for permission for the New York State Railways Co., to charge one cent for each transfer in Syracuse, in addition to the six-cent fare charged, was filed with the Second district public service commission at Albany by Vice President D. E. Tilton of the company. Permission to make the transfer charge was asked on the condition that the money thus derived be placed in a special fund to be used to reconstruct tracks and pavements in that city.

Dr. W. T. Hornaday, director of the New York "Zoo," has issued a statement saying that the Everett bill, adopted by the legislature, became a law through being signed by Governor Smith "it will lead to an immense amount of disgusting slaughter of breeding female deer; eventually it will exterminate the deer of the state of New York, and it is absolutely certain to bring about each year a slaughter of deer hunters." The bill would permit female deer to be killed in this state.

Williamsville reports several cases of sleeping sickness.

MAN'S EVER-FAITHFUL FRIEND

Evangeline Booth Eulogizes the Services Which the Horse Has at All Times Rendered.

Evangeline Booth, the gifted commander of the Salvation army, in Rider and Driver, pays a beautiful tribute to the horse. The horseless age which was predicted when the motor came, she says, has not arrived, and never will. She continues:

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HAS SQUIRREL WELL TAMED

Intelligent Little Animal Beguiles Tedium of Voyage for Naval Officer on Active Duty.

There is a certain very companionable little squirrel which belongs to an officer on a warship, somewhere in South African waters. She is a great talker—in her way—but she is always very careful not to talk when any one else is talking. Her master will call her down from her bedroom, and she appears with cheery little squeaks and gurgles. Then she waits.

"Will you have toast this morning or milk?" is the question with which he greets her, and her answer is a decided chatter for a moment. When she stops, he goes on with the conversation, and she listens to him, with her little eyes full of interest, for what he is telling her. Then comes her turn, and she talks a bit. She is a very playful little squirrel, and she has never been known to lose her temper with her master, though sometimes in a romp, when she gets rather flurried, she bites a bit too hard. And, if her master gently raps her, she pretends to feel grieved about it, goes into a corner and sulks and all that he can do is to leave her alone until she wants to play again.—Montreal Herald.

Steady, Not Erratic.

It is a good thing to have work done well and quickly by one person in an organization. But it is a far better thing to have that whole organization work together effectively, each one doing a part carefully and consciously, than to have an expert here and there setting the pace.

It is safe to say that any business that succeeds does so because the head of that business never forgets that he is working with human beings and not with machines. He does not expect them to do the impossible any more than he expects impossibilities of himself, but he does require of himself a certain amount of concentrated effort done at the right time every day, and he does require from all his office force the same effort and concentration.

The best way to conserve energy is not by speeding up every once in so often, but by keeping engines fired at all time, ready to do the work at the right time and in the right place.—New York Evening Telegram.

Two Queer Strikes.

A one-man strike occurred in an Australian city. A prisoner in the town jail, a tailor by trade, refused to work in the tailor's shop on the plea that it would be contrary to his principles as a trade unionist, "unfair competition with his brother unionists outside," as he put it. He sent a letter to the tailors' union, but as they took no notice he was condemned to three days' solitary confinement, during which he "continued the strike."

There was a strike of paupers once in a country poorhouse. They struck for new potatoes! They expected greens for dinner and, as there were none, they refused to eat old spuds! They even declined to enter the dining room. The guardians prescribed a bread and water diet, with the result that at the end of 24 hours the inmates were ready for potatoes—new or old.

Macaroni Reigns Even in China.

The succulent Italic paste spreads far and wide. We learn from the United States commerce reports:

The manufacture of vermicelli and macaroni in China is an enormous industry and is carried on almost entirely by hand. Wheat, beans and rice are the principal flour used. At Chefoo the industry assumes greater proportions than anywhere else in China, and there the vermicelli is principally a green bean product. Vermicelli is eaten throughout all sections of the country. China exports annually about 15,000 tons of vermicelli of all sorts.

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