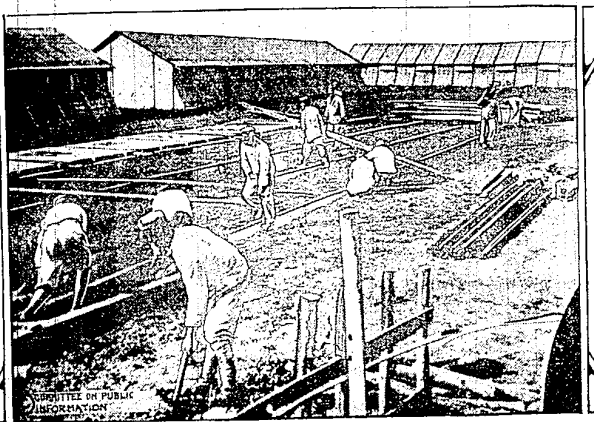


GERMAN PRISONERS BUILD CAMPS FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS



The captive Germans in France have the extreme pleasure of helping the American forces find comfort in the land of their new endeavors. The captured Teutons are put to work building the barracks and putting the site into shape for the American troops.

OCEANS OF MUD IN FLANDERS FAIL TO STOP BRITISH



Oceans of mud where once were roads can't stop the great British drive in Flanders. They may combine to slow up the steady advance against the German trenches, but they will have to get a great deal worse to compel a definite halt. This British official photograph shows how great are the difficulties that the British forces have to encounter. Supply wagons are advancing through mud in which the horses sink knee-deep, and then some, carrying munitions over the shell-torn ground to the big guns at the front.

"FANTOMAS" WALTER RUTT



On a certain sector in France the Poles were menaced by "Fantomus," the "ghost" aviator, who, though he was not close to the lines, seemed to have a charm against the bullets of the soldiers. After more than a year of adventurous attacks he has been brought down and identified as Walter Rutt, the world's greatest bicyclist, who was well known to patrons of the six-day bicycle races at Madison Square Garden, New York. He left the United States for Germany on the outbreak of the war.

The Spanish Premier.

Senor Dato, the man of the hour in Spain, belongs to the type of famous men who are slight and spare of physique. It is a spiritual rather than an animal force that animates his resolute countenance and casts a pleasant spell over those who come in contact with him. By those who know him a most intimately he is described as a man who feels strongly with difficulty and then makes light of it. He knows when to keep silence and the chief impression he leaves everywhere is an charm of manner combined with an extreme sensitiveness and above all courtesy.

Helped Him.

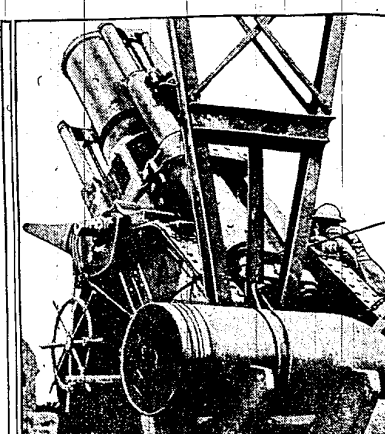
A well-known baritone was accosted by his club by a young friend who was reciting. Said the friend: "Your recital last night was a great help to me." "I didn't see you there." "Oh, I wasn't there." "Oh, I thought do you mean by telling me my recital was a great help to you, and you weren't present?" "Oh, I bought tickets for my girl's father and mother, and they both went."

LEADERS OF REVOLT AGAINST KERENSKY



Nikola Lenin (right) and Leon Trotsky (left), the leading figures in the Bolshevik rebellion against the provisional government in Russia. Lenin, who is believed to be a German agent, was made premier by the rebels.

ONE OF HAIG'S BEST "BOCHE STRAFERS"



The howitzer seen here is one of the British "heavies" whose shattering fire literally obliterated the German deep-trench and dugout positions in Flanders when Sir Douglas Haig pressed forward to achieve his sledge-hammer victories. On the gun carriage in rear of the breech is a huge projectile ready for loading.

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Importance of Discipline.

There is not that thing in the world of more grave and urgent importance throughout the life of man, than is discipline. What need I instance? He that hath read with judgment of nations and commonwealths, of cities and camps, of peace and war, sea and land, will readily agree that the flourishing and decaying of all civil societies, all the movements and turnings of human occasions, are moved to and fro as on an axle of discipline. So that whatsoever power and sway in mortal things weaker men have attributed to fortune, I durst with more confidence ascribe either to the vigor or the slackness of discipline. And certainly discipline is not only the remedy of disorder, but the very visible shape and image of virtues; whereby she is not only seen in the regular gestures and motions of her heavenly peace as she walks, but also makes the harmony of her voice audible to mortal ears.—Milton.

What Can We Do?

The younger school children are proving themselves immensely helpful in work for the Red Cross. They are enthusiastic and surprisingly persistent. They soon learn how to make all the small, simple knitted articles of wool or cotton, including squares of wool yarn for quilts or comforters, and the simplest of baby bonnets and mufflers. From knitting cotton they make wipes or sponges for hospital use, and of ending flannel or old-down the girls of twelve or more are making booties, and caps for infant wear. Their efforts have been directed toward doing things that will help keep the shivering throngs of Europe warm during the coming winter. They have turned out thousands upon thousands of ration heaters, and cannot get too many of these.

For the little squares of knitted yarn that are afterward sewed together into quilts odds and ends of wool are used as the color makes no difference. They should be six inches square when finished, and for yarn of the average size 36-stitches are cast on, coarse yarn requires a few less, and finer a few more. In the city schools the younger boys and girls knit the squares, and the older girls join them, and line the quilt with flannel, or some such material. The plain garter stitch is used for all these articles.

For baby bonnets of wool yarn, 30 stitches are cast on and a strip 15 inches long is knitted. This is folded crosswise at the center and the edges on one side, sewed together, forming the cap. A facing is knitted for the front of the cap, usually in a contrasting color. For this 12 stitches are cast on and the strip knitted 15

inches long. This is sewed to the front of the cap and turned back to form the facing. Narrow ribbon may be threaded through the edge of the cap at the bottom, to draw it in close about the neck, and to tie under the chin, or a cord made of the yarn, finished with little tassels of yarn, may be used instead.

The wipes, or sponges, are nine inches square and knitted loosely. When binding off every alternate stitch is dropped; this makes the square soft and spongy. There are different ways of knitting them to get this same effect, but they are less simple. The work for the Red Cross besides the children in many ways, so that they are helping themselves as well as others. They are much more keenly interested in the war than they otherwise would be, and their patriotism is stimulated by all that they do and learn.

Button Bag From Old Purse.

Do not throw away your old pocket-book which has become too worn to carry. It makes an excellent button bag. Hooks and eyes and very small buttons may be kept in the compartment which was used for small change, thus proving a great convenience when one is in a hurry.

Bracelet Supper a Pretty Fad.

The newest kind of shoes for evening wear are of metallic brocade cut with a fairly long ramp and a high heel. The particularly novel feature is the extension of the top of the slipper to form a strap which is continued into a bracelet suggestion just above the ankle.



Inexpensive Table Decorations.

Wherever we drop in for afternoon tea we just naturally gravitate toward a table that glows with a candle under a pretty shade. Small vases or baskets of flowers have almost as strong a lure and every hostess knows that nothing else adds so much to her table as lights and flowers. So every year those who make a business of manufacturing table decorations bring out new variations in the use of silk or paper for shades and something new in receptacles for flowers.

The pretty flower basket shown above requires only deft fingers and paper rope to make it. The rope is woven over a wire foundation and the small basket carries an ordinary water glass. When the basket is woven of gray, or brown, or ivory, color or green rope, according to the preference of its maker, it is varnished with shellac. Either real or artificial flowers, with fresh or preserved ferns, make up the bouquets that adorn living rooms and dining tables these days. Bouquets of artificial flowers are fashionable and serve to help brighten the house, with the approval of fastidious people. There is a great vogue for them in fact, especially for those that copy closely old-fashioned garden flowers like the aster and pansy, the daisy and chrysanthemum—and, of course, always the rose.

The candle shades and roses shown in the picture are made of fine crepe paper and much like the candle shades of last year, or any other year, except that the candle light filters through two thicknesses of paper in two shades of the same color, with the lighter shade on the inside. At the left, the candle shade is made of three rose petals in rose pink and each petal is lined with paper in a lighter pink. There are small roses and rose leaves set about the shade near its top. Soft shades of purple and lavender together make lovely shades of this kind. The shade at the right is even simpler. It is made of light and dark rose color and is as pretty in deep and pale yellow in pebble or the lighter greens. Of course nothing can ever equal

natural flowers in charm, but some imitations of the rose are so good that they might be displayed in a florist's window. The paper candle shades, when they are well made with live with those of silk or any other sort in effectiveness, so no one need be without them.

Julia B. Borden

Suits to Suit All Figures.

The pretty styles shown this season are so widely varied that no woman, whatever her figure, should have the slightest difficulty in making a selection. Little boxlike coats, sometimes loosely belted, with wide sleeves and high severe collars, are worn with narrow skirts, the silhouette arrived at suggesting the Mandarin coat and wide trousers of the Chinese. Russian blouse suits are also popular, and one of the styles featured for young girls has been dubbed the "rump" suit, inasmuch as the coat is straight and narrow and at a little distance appears to be cut with the skirt.

Belt Line Diversified.

The best line of the new frocks is as diversified as one can imagine. There are belts of all degrees of width. There is still the belted frock that has a girdle drawn loosely about the hips, and there are occasional high-waisted belts. The tendency in the new frocks is to emphasize the normal waistline, however, and this probably means the persistence of the separate belt of leather or embroidered silk.

Blouse With High Collar.

The new tailored blouse is developed with front and back yokes, from which box plaits are laid, or there may be a cluster of plaits in the center back and on either side of the front. The collar is by figuring large, the collar in the tailored models, the flat collar that reaches far down the front being favored. Narrow fitting is a feature of these waists.