

# YANKEE GIRLS NOT NEEDED AS NURSES WITH FRENCH ARMY

### Distinguished Surgeon Says Those With No Experience Are an Embarrassment.

American society girls who go to France to smoothe feets of Florence Nightingale in the war hospitals are worse than useless, according to Dr. L. B. Crow of Chicago, who returned to-day aboard the French liner Rochambeau after serving for many months with the Red Cross in the regular French army. He strongly advised against American girls plunging blindly into "relief work" in France.

"The average American girl who goes over there to become a nurse is worse than an embarrassment—she is an embarrassment to the French Government and the regular corps of nurses," said Dr. Crow. "Most of them don't know the rudiments of nursing, many cannot speak French, and almost without exception they are simply in the way. There is a surfeit of nurses and doctors with the French forces; no more are needed from any source."

"A good many young American doctors who went over there with a high born resolve to do good and pick up useful information incidentally now count themselves lucky to be driving ambulances."

Dr. Crow, who was once reported illied after the Germans had swamped the French lines in the vicinity of Fumay, made his escape with a French officer by a daring dash through the German lines by auto, under fire constantly.

"A perfect vindication for the typhoid inoculation theory has been demonstrated in the French army," he said. "Early in the war the French second line and reservists, hardly any of whom had been vaccinated with typhoid virus, were ravaged by typhoid, and the doctors made frantic haste to complete the vaccination of raw troops. I saw not a single case of typhoid in a patient previously inoculated."

Three of the Rochambeau's 203 passengers came here on a mysterious mission, the nature of which they profess not to know themselves. They are Messieurs Degrange, Graffen and Ginet, all officers in the French army, who say they were hurriedly detached from service and sent to New York to receive further orders here.

# KEEP URIC ACID OUT OF JOINTS

### Tells Rheumatism Sufferers to Eat Less Meat and Take Salts.

Rheumatism is easier to avoid than to cure, states a well-known authority. We are advised to dress warmly; keep the feet dry; avoid exposure; eat less meat; but drink plenty of good water.

Rheumatism is a direct result of eating too much meat and other rich foods that produce uric acid, which is absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In the damp and chilly cold weather, the skin pores are closed, thus forcing the kidneys to do double duty; they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate the uric acid, which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles, causing stiffness, soreness and pain called rheumatism.

As the first tringe of rheumatism, get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is said to eliminate uric acid by stimulating the kidneys to normal action, thus ridding the blood of these impurities.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism. Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink, which helps to overcome uric acid and is beneficial to your kidneys as well.—Adv.

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# Wanted: Real Old-Time American Homes, Home-Made Men and Home-Made Ideals!



### Women of To-Day Know Too Much of Tango Parties, Dinner Parties and Other Parties, but Not Enough About Their Homes, Says Irving Bacheller, Genial New England Humorist—Points to Evil of "Machine-Made" Children and Urges Breaking Away From Vicious European Ideals.

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

Wanted—The old-fashioned American home. That's the advertisement Uncle Sam is putting out, according to one of the old gentleman's best friends—Irving Bacheller. We all know Mr. Bacheller as the author of "Keeping Up With Lisette," "Eben Holden" and other homespun tales and satires. They are not merely "made in America," they are made in New England; and each and every one is seasoned with watergreen, sweet fern and juniper. Also, each in its own way is an honest plea for what the author honestly believes will be the salvation of modern America—a revival of the principles and practices that made the past of America great.

Even if one is thoroughly convinced of the logic and justice of several of the new "isms," one may get rather tired of hearing and talking about them. At such a moment a turn-back-the-clock chat with Mr. Bacheller appeals to the mental palate; or as a plain home dinner delights, after a surfeit of French restaurants. So I was glad to find him at the Hotel Collingwood, and to receive the message which he believes New York needs even more than the rest of the U. S. A.

"As I've travelled about the country I have noted one condition everywhere, and I suppose it's even truer of New York than of most other places," he said.

"American men and women of to-day seem to know a lot about what parties, dinner parties, tea parties, lunch parties, tango parties. They don't seem to know much about their homes. They don't seem to be acquainted with their children. And yet, of all of our citizens who have left the world in their debt, I can't find one that wasn't a home-made, mother-made man."

### GREAT AMERICANS WERE HOME MADE MEN.

Mr. Bacheller spoke with a slow, thoughtful drawl, while his fingers caressed his smooth-shaven chin, Yankee fashion. He is a long, slenderly person, with a sweep of sandy, white hair, shrewd blue eyes that half-shut as he talks, and a smile whose innate kindness his heavy mustache cannot hide. Like Eben, his first and best known hero, he has proved himself a master fisherman, and even in a brief interview one has glimpses of the three qualities that mark the true born angler—gravity, tenacity and canines. It might be added that they are likely to mark the true-born, undereducated New Englander.

"There was Washington," ruminated Mr. Bacheller, after a brief pause during which he abstracted the door-key from the table in front of him, thus supplying his restless fingers with a new preoccupation. "He didn't have much schooling, but he has left it on record that his mother and father taught him all the things that were worth while. There was Lincoln, who educated himself by the light of the pine knots from the family hearth. There was the first Cornelius Vanderbilt, who gave the railroad system to the United States; there was the editor, Horace Greeley; there were Walt Whitman and Sam-

uel L. Clemens; there is our greatest inventor, Thomas A. Edison. It is surely of significance that all of these were home-made men.

**LOWE AND KINDNESS BUILT INTO THE OLD-TIME HOME.**

"Think of the old-time American home. Its rough wooden walls were first put together by the future husband and father, with the friendly assistance of the neighbors. Kindness had gone into its beams and rafters. Into the rag carpets and home-made curtains were stitched love and conscientious industry. In our city apartments—homes, so-called—we have marble and costly carved wood and Oriental rugs, but they're all made by hired men and they're cheap beside the love-wrought, tell-tale homes of the past.

"Think of the guests in those old-time homes," Mr. Bacheller continued, with quiet enthusiasm. "As one member of the family read and the rest listened; Tennyson and Longfellow, Dickens and Thackeray, were brought within the circle of the evening lamp. The children went to bed thinking of them, rather than of the latest moving picture melodrama.

"And you feel that the modern home especially fails in its influence over children?" I asked.

The novelist responded with a clear-cut contrast.

"In the old-time American home the child learned what is one of the most valuable lessons in the world—obedience. The modern American child doesn't know the meaning of the word. The boy and girl of a generation or two ago learned to work. To-day they are taught that work is unfeathered."

### CRAMPED CITY HOME MEANS NEGLECT OF CHILDREN.

"It is gross neglect of the welfare of their children which makes people live in a cramped New York apartment when for less money they can obtain a whole house in the suburbs in Brooklyn or Yonkers or New Jersey," he replied with calm emphasis. "In such surroundings the children can be reared in simplicity. The son of the house can work in a garden and the daughter can learn home management. That is the obvious remedy for the situation which I wouldn't criticize if I could see no way out.

"A family huddles in a small city apartment, and because it is so uncomfortable for any prolonged stay each person seeks the theatre, the restaurant, or other places of diversion. Caught in the race for pleasure, all are unwilling to leave town and the sleeping-place they call home. It's an example of the vicious circle.

"Yet there are only three real luxuries—we see now to what they lead," interpolated Mr. Bacheller, a grim edge on his low tones—"and get back to our own ideals of democracy. And so I believe that all good Americans should first inform themselves as to the old-time American home, and they do all that lies in their power to re-create it."

Question, is, can we ever go back to the hour that has struck?

### SLUTHS MAY BREAK UP VALENTINE DAY ROMANCE

Boston Girl Flees Here to Wed, and Mother Wires to the Police.

The Valentine Day romance of fifteen-year-old Clara Gordon, of No. 108 Union Park Street, Boston, will come to a dolorous end to-day if the New York and Jersey City detectives find her.

A sluth is on guard at the New York City Hall to seize her if she appears to ask for a marriage license and another detective is on guard at the Jersey City marriage license office. Other marriage license offices are being watched.

News of Clara's flight reached New York in a telegram to-day from her mother, Mrs. Annie Gordon, who asked that the girl be prevented from marrying and detained until Mrs. Gordon could come after her. The name of a man with whom the girl is supposed to have left Boston yesterday was given in the mother's message. The police are looking for him, too.

# ROME IS FLOODED; VATICAN IN DANGER; HUNDREDS IN PERIL

### Rivers Throughout Italy Out of Banks and Many Towns Are Inundated.

ROME, Feb. 15.—Italy, having passed through a period of grave anxiety as a result of destructive earthquakes, is now facing a new peril in the form of floods. Everywhere streams are out of their banks, due to heavy rainstorms.

In the low lying quarters the people have been driven from their homes or are prisoners in the upper stories. Troops have been sent to aid in rescue work and to provide food for sufferers.

In Rome the River Tiber is more than fifty feet out of its normal banks and is rising at the rate of two inches an hour.

The weather to-day showed signs of clearing and this gives hopes that the waters will soon recede.

The Leonine City, as the Vatican quarter is called, is flooded. The flood waters in the streets around St. Peter's have risen to a height of four feet and eleven inches. Several walls have collapsed, but without serious consequences.

Many houses in the neighborhood of St. Peter's have from three to four feet of water in the lower stories and the inhabitants were obliged to remove their possessions to the upper floors.

Two hundred patients in the Hospital of Santo Spirito, near the Vatican, have been removed to the upper floors because of the flood. Some fear is expressed that the rising water may cause the building to collapse.

The authorities have closed the road from Rome to the sea in which there are several deposits of carbide and lime. Some of these, through infiltration from the flooded Tiber, have exploded and caused buildings to collapse.

Great anxiety is felt to-day for the famous St. Angelo Bridge, originally erected by Emperor Hadrian and which connects his tomb with the city. The water is already over the pillars of the bridge, and troops, engineers and firemen are doing what is possible to check the peril. Milan Bridge, built one hundred years before Christ, is inundated and water also surrounds the imposing structure of St. Paul's. The Sublicus Bridge, supposed to have been defended by Horatius and two companions, is under water. This is the oldest bridge in Rome, having been built in the year 625 B. C.

The bridges which have shown signs of weakness have been closed to traffic.

# OPERA SINGER BRINGS GERMAN VIEWS OF WAR

### Lantern Slides to Help Sway American Opinion—Few Prisoners, She Says.

Ray Beveridge, who has been singing in opera at Vienna, Berlin and Munich, was a passenger to-day on the Italian liner Duca d'Acosta from Naples. She brought a number of lantern slides furnished her by the German Government showing the German side of the war. She expects to appear on the lecture platform in many cities of this country to appeal to Americans on behalf of the Germans.

Miss Beveridge said she recently visited the prisoners' camp at Dobrucha. Though it has been reported by witnesses that there were hundreds of thousands of captured soldiers of the allies in the camp she found there were only 1,000. Miss Beveridge is to be the guest for the evening of Mrs. Gurney Gue at Hempstead, L. I.

The customs officials were somewhat embarrassed regarding a package which Miss Beveridge was bringing from the wife of Ambassador von Bernstorff for her husband. There was no one to receive it for the Ambassador at the pier, and yet it could not be passed as a diplomatic courier except into the hands of a member of the Ambassador's staff. As a compromise an inspector was sent to the Ritz with Miss Beveridge and a clerk from the Embassy received it there.

# PROTECTION FOR ENGINEERS.

### Introduce Bill for Continuance of P. S. C. Provisional Appointments.

Travis H. Whitney, secretary of the Public Service Commission, went to Albany to-day to introduce a bill which will permit the continuance of provisional appointments by the Commission until a regular civil service list is prepared.

The bill aims to protect extra engineers and inspectors who have been employed on tunnel and subway work and who have been notified by the State Civil Service Commissioners that they cannot continue. The State Civil Service Commission agrees to the provisions of the bill.

# Wa Ting Pong Talks of Philippines.

MANILA, Feb. 15.—Wa Ting Pong, former Chinese Minister to the United States, upon leaving to-day for his home in China declared that the Philippines should not always be a dependent state. He reiterated, however, the views recently expressed by him in a speech here that the time was not ripe for the independence of the islands.

# MITCHELL'S LETTER ON WHEAT EMBARGO IS BEFORE WILSON

### President Not Believed to Favor Move to Restrict Shipments Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—President Wilson to-day received a letter from Mayor Mitchell of New York, urging that an embargo be placed on the exportation of wheat to check the rise in price of bread and flour. The President has previously taken the stand that Congress alone has the authority to declare such an embargo. Representative Farr of Pennsylvania has a bill pending in the House for the purpose.

The suggestion of Mayor Mitchell's Food Committee that an announcement be made by the Federal Government, showing the amount of wheat now in the country as compared with the amount a year ago, and giving assurances that the administration is prepared to take any necessary steps to prevent the country's wheat stock from being depleted, was taken under consideration by the President.

Mr. Wilson has already directed Attorney General Gregory to watch for any evidence that illegal combinations have been responsible for the increased price of food, and is ready to adopt any other practical suggestion for meeting the situation. Officials do not believe, however, that he will favor placing an embargo on the exportation of foodstuffs.

# HONOR HEROES OF THE MAINE

### Services an Anniversary of Battleship's Destruction.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Memorial services for the dead of the battleship Maine were held in Arlington National Cemetery to-day. Patriotic organizations and United States troops, marines and business men participated.

The principal speakers were the Cuban Minister, Carlos Manuel de Céspedes, and Representative John C. Dill of California, who delivered a eulogy of the heroism of the crew of the Maine and the President of Cuba on the Maine's destruction. The United States Army Band played a national salute of twenty-one guns during the ceremony.

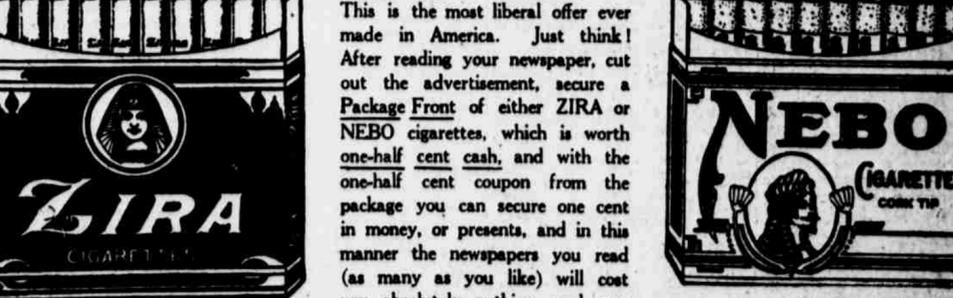
DESCRIBING A SENATOR. (From the Detroit Free Press.) "Halt! Who goes there, friend or an enemy?" "Which of the two were you depicting?" asked the tipsy stranger.

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