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ALMA WINS AND LOSES.

The college basketball team took a two-day jaunt into the southern part of the state last Friday and Saturday playing Kalamazoo College, and the Reo Motor Truck team of Lansing on succeeding evenings. At Kalamazoo the college boys met their first Intercollegiate opponents of the season and suffered a disastrous defeat, losing a fast game by the score of 50 to 17.

At Lansing the Alma boys won by the score of 19 to 13 in a poorly played game. Lighting facilities were unusually poor, due to trouble at the power plant, and the game was finally called off before time was up because the lights went entirely out.

The College Reserves defeated the Central State Normal Reserves at Mt. Pleasant Friday evening. Score, 21-19.

"GYPSY ROVER" PRESENTED AT BRECKENRIDGE

A play entitled "The Gypsy Rover," was presented before a large and very well pleased audience at Merrill Tuesday evening of last week. The play was given under the direction of Miss Mildred Kress. It has previously been presented at the Wright opera house and in Breckenridge.

The story of the play centers around the life of Sir Gilbert Howe known as "Gypsy Rob," who was stolen in his infancy by a band of gypsies and brought up in a gypsy camp. He becomes a leader of the band. One day he encounters Lady Constance, a daughter of Sir George Martindale, who is lost in the woods and pilots her to safety.

The gypsy lover, visits her home, serenades her and persuades her to elope with him, thus escaping a distasteful marriage with Lord Craven, her father's choice. The elopement is frustrated by Sir George. Later, when Rob learns of his identity and comes into possession of his estate and lawful title, Sir Gilbert Howe, and woos and wins the love of Lady Constance and the approval of Sir George.

FIRM FOUNDATION

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People are sometimes slow to recognize true merit, and they cannot be blamed for so many have been humbugged in the past. The experience of hundreds of Alma residents, expressed publicly through newspapers and other sources, places Doan's Kidney Pills on a firm foundation here.

W. J. Washburn, retired farmer, R. F. D. No. 4, Alma, Mich., says: "I suffered more or less from kidney trouble for several years. My kidneys were very irregular in action and some nights I had to get up several times to pass the kidney secretions. I had dull pains in my loins and my back got very lame. Doan's Kidney Pills have never failed to relieve the lameness in my back and regulate the action of my kidneys. I always keep Doan's Kidney Pills in the house. They are the best remedy I ever used for my back and kidneys."

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MANY DEAF AND BLIND BY QUAKE

Dazed and Injured Refugees Brought Into Rome.

RESCUE PARTIES MOBBED.

Fearing Food is Poisoned, Survivors Refuse It, While Others in Their Eagerness Wildly Attack Relief Parties—Discover Woman's Body With Telephone Receiver in Her Hands.

While fresh troops and regiments of civilian relief workers are streaming out of Rome to give succor in the devastated earthquake regions, the efforts now being fully organized, equally large numbers of dazed and injured refugees are being brought into Rome and in some cases sent further along to the hospitals of Naples. Ten per cent of the beds in all the hospitals of the capital have been requisitioned for the care of the victims.

The number of refugees in Rome is estimated at 10,000, of which fully 2,000, suffering all manner of injuries, are in the hospitals here. Deaths of refugees on the returning hospital trains are frequent. All of the refugees are suffering different degrees of deafness from the frightful shocks they endured, and there are hundreds of cases of temporary blindness, caused by the storms of fine dust that arose in the crash of buildings.

A large percentage of the refugees are suffering a form of temporary insanity. Many of them refuse food in the belief that it is poisoned.

Although several days have passed since the horror occurred, few seem to have come to a full realization of it.

Rescue Parties Mobbed. In the earthquake district the distribution of supplies is ordered strictly to be the work of the soldiers, for independent parties that have come upon starving communities have been mobbed, and some were handled severely by the half-crazed people.

There is no possibility of painting adequately the ghastliness of the scenes to be met in the Avezzano and other districts. A correspondent who returned from these regions saw many terrible sights. Watching soldiers at work seeking to extricate a woman at Celina, he heard her voice raised in despair, telling the soldiers to dig no more, to pass her by and save others, for all her family were dead in the ruins with her and she had no desire to live. At Gioia del Marsi a man was seen who had hastened from Milan to his home, where he had worked with his hands for three days trying to effect the rescue of his wife, son and another man. After thirty-six hours of unremitting toil he extricated his wife, only to have her die. At Avezzano the correspondent saw a woman's body brought out of the ruins. She was holding a telephone receiver in her hands.

The work of rescue among the ruins remains bafflingly slow, and most of the attention of the authorities has now passed to giving relief to the survivors and effecting health measures to prevent epidemics of disease. Of those entombed in Avezzano, Sorani and the smaller towns the number of those still living is recorded as being small, for it is many days since the earthquake, and such survivors as those brought out of the ruins were in the last stages of exhaustion.

GIRL OF TWELVE CRIME CHIEF

Declared by New York Police to Lead Pickpocket Gang.

A twelve-year-old girl, declared by the police to have been the directing genius of an organization of five pickpockets, all children, was arrested on the east side of New York.

The other members, the police say, are girls ranging as low as eight years of age. The arrested girl, they assert, is the oldest of the quintet.

The zone of operations of the alleged "gang" was Rivington street, between Clinton and Allen streets. Their victims have been women exclusively. According to Detectives Dribben and Gilkinson, the "ensemble work" and signal system of the girls would have done credit to veterans.

During the last four months complaints have been reaching the police of purses that had "disappeared." The work, according to the police, was done so skillfully that a majority of the victims had no idea they had been robbed, but believed their purses had been lost.

For two days the detectives have had the five girls under surveillance, but all attempts to trip them failed. One evening, according to the detectives, they observed Lillie Puppick brushing against a number of women at Rivington and Orchard streets, and finally placed her under arrest. Her companions disappeared.

Songs Save Soldiers' Lives.

Toulon, France, the birthplace of Mirel, the famous music hall comedian and composer of popular ditties, claims the discovery that popular songs sung to the wounded are instrumental in lowering the proportion of deaths, and in some cases of effecting cures as astonishing as any of those recorded.

The Sin of Indifference

Does war begin with you? Do you begin with war? Do you begin with the sin of indifference? To think you are of old!

"Thus so with me and, even worse, The war seemed to annoy, Till in a picture of the slain I saw one like my boy."

The merest lad, on battlefield Among the martyred dead, With features so alike it might Have been my boy instead!

And with the tears of shame which fell Upon my child's fair face I vowed, by God and sorrow, my sin Of boredom to erase. —H. S. Haskins in New York Sun.

GERMAN SOLDIERS SAVE \$25,000,000 A MONTH.

Thrift of Troops at Front Shown by Money Orders Sent Home.

The savings of the German troops, according to Post Commissioner General Stroedel of the Imperial mail bureau, Dresden, are estimated at \$25,000,000 a month. Although this includes the savings of officers, who receive higher salaries, it testifies to the prudence and thrift of the men in the army, whose average pay is only 14 cents a day.

"The thrift of the German troops at the front is one of the best proofs of their moral strength," says the semi-official North German Gazette. "Even when they could do so on pay days they do not live a riotous life, like Wallenstein's wild bands. The present day German soldier has retained none of the old free lance habits except a fearless courage and dauntless defiance of death. Our soldiers do not carelessly destroy their own property or that of others. Even in the tumult of battle they save for the peace to come."

Post Commissioner General Stroedel of the Imperial mail bureau in Dresden has given official figures concerning the thriftiness of our troops in a speech about the army postal service. A Saxony division of reserves sent to their homes in September 10,000 money orders, amounting to 391,000 marks (\$97,750), and in October 20,000 orders, amounting to 800,000 marks (\$200,000). On some days the payments made at one field postoffice reached to 30,000 marks (\$8,750) and in one case even 110,000 marks (\$27,500). At the postoffice under the jurisdiction of the chief postal authorities of Dresden 63,104 money orders were received from the front in October. On these 2,500,000 marks (\$625,000) in round numbers had been paid in. In November there were 65,516 orders, amounting to 2,322,722 marks (\$590,000). Frequently the money orders were for very small sums, ranging from 50 cents to \$2.50, in accordance with the pay the men received, which averages 14 cents a day in wartime. It must be understood that the soldiers cannot spend the money which they get, as they obtain most things by requisition. Furthermore, the officers and noncommissioned officers, who of course receive a much higher pay, are included in this sum total.

CHINA'S HEAD WORSHIPS.

Kneels Before Altar of Heaven—Ancient Manchu Rite.

President Yuan Shih Kai appeared before the altar of heaven in Peking and revived the worship of heaven at the winter solstice, an observance neglected since the passing of the Manchu dynasty in 1911. In this the president of the republic took upon himself a function and rite which in the past always has been reserved to the emperor of China in his capacity of Tien Tsz, or Son of Heaven.

The president worshipped at the famous circular altar, the most important of all Chinese religious structures. It is located in a sacred park three miles from the palace of the emperors and is surrounded by sacred buildings. This altar formerly was regarded in China as the center of the universe.

Yuan Shih Kai submitted a bill to the Chinese administrative council last January prescribing the worship of heaven and of Confucius for the president of China, and the measure was passed by the council. This act was regarded as tantamount to establishing a state religion for China. During the deliberations of the council it was set forth that the president of the republic should worship at the Temple of Confucius and at the temple of heaven annually, as had been the custom of the Chinese emperor. The worshiping of the president before the altar of heaven appears to be a carrying out of the purposes then set forth. The president was instructed on these religious occasions to wear the robes of the high dukes designed during the Chow dynasty in the year 1122 B. C. It was then taken for granted that all the old time rites would henceforth be re-established with Confucianism as the state religion, swinging back the pendulum to where it was before 1911.

War Boosts Laundry Bills.

The effects of the war are far-reaching. Here is an instance—a certain restaurant proprietor in London situated near a large military camp has found that since the war the cost of his laundry bill has greatly increased. So he has decorated each table with a neat notice: "Customers are requested not to draw on the tablecloths. Maps of the seat of war will be found on all the tables in the smoke room."

TO USE AIRSHIPS AS MAIL CARRIERS

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Uncle Sam's Officials Make Announcement at Annual Dinner of Aero Club. Aerial Equipment Will Serve as Eyes For Any Artillery Action in Outlying Possessions.

An opportunity to put 2,000 American aviators to work flying through the air with sacks of first class mail over routes that have already been picked out by the United States postal authorities was described by Second Assistant Postmaster General Stewart at the annual dinner of the Aero Club of America at the Hotel St. Regis, New York. Mr. Stewart declared that it would be the settled policy of the postal authorities "to knock and knock again at the doors of congress until the support for the postoffice department's plan would be forthcoming."

He predicted that a bill authorizing the using of aerial transportation for the mails would pass at the next session of congress and that within two years the postal aviators would be as commonplace as railway mail clerks are today.

Brigadier General George P. Scriven, chief signal officer of the United States army, warmly supported the proposal of Assistant Postmaster General Stewart. He declared that it was the immediate intention of the army and navy forces of the United States to open an aviation school in Texas to supplement the school already established at San Diego, Cal., and that the army and navy expected very shortly to have four aerial squadrons. Two of these squadrons, he said, were for use on land, to be equipped with aeroplanes, while the other two squadrons were for marine service and equipped with hydros.

He urged that aerial equipment be sent as soon as possible to the Philippines and to Panama and Hawaii to "serve as the eyes for any artillery action that in these outlying possessions may become necessary."

Aeroplane Indispensable.

"We have reached the conclusion," he said, "that the aeroplane is indispensable as the eyes of the artillery, and we can no longer afford to remain indifferent to this branch of the service. But we can't look for more than four squadrons of aerial troops at present. After all, aerial troops would be an auxiliary, and we can't make them out of proportion to the general establishment, and the general establishment is only a provision for a first line of battle or defense. The call for reserves—always more reserves—sounds through our aeroplane plans as through all our military plans."

"The solution is the preparing of men who may serve as highly trained aerial scouts, but who, until war demands their services, are of use in other lines. The army, I am able to say, would gladly co-operate by training aviators for the postal service at the army schools. We hope soon to have four of them. More than that, it is our policy to offer to train all national guardsmen who may seek to become proficient aviators and to train civilians up to the capacity of our plant."

A telegram was read from the Panama-Pacific exposition management proposing as a substitute for the race around the world, which was abandoned on account of the war, that there be a three route transcontinental race for San Francisco, with Boston, New York and Washington as starting points. The proposal was received with applause.

Henry A. Wise Wood, who acted as toastmaster, read a cablegram from London which gave the endurance record of one biplane used in the war.

"This craft," he said, "was counted as fragile and not able to stand punishment. Yet biplane 123 flew 11,000 miles, was hit by 180 fire balls, got the marks of sixty shrapnel shells that burst around it, had twenty-five wires cut by bullets, had seven holes shot through the radiator, received an explosive shell from a German aeroplane in the fuselage and finally was brought to earth after all this experience by shrapnel which burst directly against the engine."

"It proved that an aeroplane in war has only two vital spots—the pilot, whose hand is needed to direct it, and the engine that keeps it going."

DIES AT 102 YEARS.

Told by Doctors in 1841 He Had but a Short Time to Live.

William Thompson Osborne, who was told by doctors seventy-four years ago that he had consumption and could live but a short time, died at his home in Newburg, N. Y., aged 102 years, the last, and his final words were, "I want to go home."

Mr. Osborne was born in Ulster county nine miles north of Newburg on Aug. 10, 1812. In his centennial year the trustees of Washington's headquarters permitted him to hold the headquarters flag on the Fourth of July.

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