

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER

Scoop Soon Finds His Specialty in the Army By "Hop"



LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF THE WAR

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SAINT-MAURICE, France, Nov. 2.—The problem of caring for the army of maimed and disabled soldiers is being gradually worked out. The aim of the government is to make them self-supporting notwithstanding their infirmities. To do this the first necessity is functional reeducation and professional re-education or physical training. A million francs (\$200,000) is being spent on this work. Here, not far from Paris, in the national convalescent asylum and military hospital, are quartered at present 825 men, of whom about 145 are cured and are learning new trades or professions in the various schools of the institution. Other similar establishments will be put into operation at Bordeaux, Bayonne, Bourges, Montpellier, Rouen, Tours, Toulouse, Caen, Limoges, Nancy, Pau, Saint-Etienne, Brest and (Gene) (Algeria).

The Saint-Maurice institution, created by Napoleon III and located in a large well-kept park, is admirably fitted to this work. Its halls are large and well ventilated and equipped with modern apparatus. Victims of paralysis, sciatica, and those whose tendons have been cut and others suffering from various lesions may be seen working special machines, most of them made in the United States, to exercise stiff joints and bring back life to deadened muscles. In many cases after patient application to the treatment the member functions normally. There is an appliance for almost every conceivable complication resulting from a wound. Most of the patients are able to use them without aid after having been shown, then it is simply a case of sticking to it. The adjoining room is filled with the whirr of electric massage instruments manipulated by nurses.

On a concrete walk in the garden large footsteps have been painted. These are a cure for locomotion disorders, for soldiers who lost control of their legs through nerve shock or otherwise and who have to begin over again like a child. An outdoor gymnasium furnishes more severe forms of exercise for those who need it and can stand it.

After the functional cure, the patients are treated from the standpoint of "professional re-education," re-fitting them for remunerative occupations. This phase of the work at Saint-Maurice is no less complete than that provided for the restoration of suspended physical functions. Several halls are devoted to particular trades and professions and in six buildings recently reconstructed the soldiers themselves are making artificial limbs such as have heretofore come largely from the United States. Dr. Maurice Bourillon, director of the institution, says the majority of cripples are unable to pay the prices for imported artificial limbs so they are learning how to compete with the American trade.

The trade schools are in successful operation and arrangements are now being made to take care of the increased numbers of arrivals as the war continues. At present there is great need of men who can repair the American farm machinery, tractors and so forth used in France, and a number of them are being trained for this work.

In the designing room a number of men who have lost their right arms are training themselves with the aid of various American drawing devices to use their left hand. After these men have been sufficiently trained the government will find positions

where such as have mastered a new calling may earn a decent living. All those who have fought for the country will be well cared for, according to Monsieur Jules Brisac, in charge of this work; none will become a charge. They can choose whatever work they wish. Private societies that are interested in aiding the maimed will be subsidized by the government, which will exercise general control.

Dr. Bourillon, apart from his general professional work, improves the opportunity to do some moral training. He is an enemy of strong drink and in the large comfortable reading room at the asylum are placards conspicuously posted such as "Absinthe will make you crazy." "Alcohol is the perfect type of poison of the nervous system." "When man drinks the family is compromised—when woman drinks the family is lost." "Eau-de-Vie; Eau-de-mort." (Brandy is death.)

Experience has shown that the maimed at Saint-Maurice learn in less than half the time the trades or professions they choose as compared with others who have the normal use of their limbs. Dr. Bourillon attributes this to their strong will-power aroused by the obstacles met in their changed condition. "The great number of maimed who are in such condition as to earn their living only with difficulty if at all, raises a social problem of the greatest importance," said Dr. Bourillon. "Evidently they should be given all places they are able to fill in the government organizations over which the state has control. But it is doubtful if work can be found for all who seek it. It is necessary to find something for them as soon as they can begin work."

REVIVAL OF COPPER MINING IN NEVADA

ENTIRE INDUSTRY IS THRIVING THROUGHOUT STATE; OPERATORS OPTIMISTIC

The mining of copper is showing greater activity at the present time throughout the various camps in Nevada that produce that metal than at any time in years, according to Frank M. Manson, general manager of the Utah Ore Sampling company, who has returned to Salt Lake from Reno. The recent rise in the price of lead has also stimulated the mining of that metal in the various camps, and the entire mining industry is showing greater activity, says the Salt Lake Tribune.

Discussing the conditions at Goldfield and Tonopah yesterday, Mr. Manson said that among the many mining operators it was the consensus of opinion that the large amount of development work being carried on

in both those camps would result in many new producers being brought to the front in the near future. The recent strike on the Simmerone property in the Goldfield district is an example of what may be expected in the near future in numerous other properties where campaigns of prospecting are being pushed steadily ahead.

The Jumbo Extension property still continues to ship about 100 tons of ore per day and reports from that property are to the effect that the ore bodies are improving with development.

Though very little has been said by the officials of the company, it is reported in Tonopah that the strike made recently on the Halifax-Tonopah is one of considerable importance. Throughout the Tonopah district the various operators are also engaged in campaigns of development work that are now beginning to bring new ore bodies to light.

Operators throughout the state take an optimistic view of the future of the industry, according to Mr. Manson. A heavy tonnage is being mined at the Rochester camp and new ore bodies are being developed as the various companies reach greater depth.

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