

HOSPITALS KEPT BY FRENCH FOR 'DISABLED' GUNS

First-Aid Station Is Battery Where Tools And Parts Are Kept

LIGHT, MEDIUM AND HEAVY SHOPS, PLAN

Whole System, In Its Efficacy A Miracle Of Modern Warfare

[By Associated Press to The Banner] BEHIND BRITISH LINES IN FRANCE, Sept. 10.—In war the question of wastage of material is second only to that of men. Armaments become rapidly unserviceable through old age and casualties, the big guns most of all. For gun casualties a regular system of hospitals exists.

The first-aid station is in the battery itself, where, much as a medical orderly keeps a supply of medicine and bandages, a trained artificer keeps a supply of tools and spare parts. He can deal with any trifling accident that may occur, or replace any small part that may be broken. The modern gun or howitzer is a complicated piece of mechanism, requiring constant skilled attention if the best results are to be obtained. This attention the artificer supplies.

But, should the gun develop a complaint beyond the powers of his tools to rectify, or should an unlucky splinter of shell wound it in some vulnerable part, its removal to hospital becomes necessary. Gun hospitals are workshops, wonderfully organized to deal with the work that falls to their lot, and staffed by skilled men of the Ordnance Corps. These workshops are graded according to mobility, and are all capable of more or less rapid transfer from one point to another. They are styled light, medium, or heavy, according to their powers of movement and their capacity for dealing with work requiring light or heavy tools.

A "Light Ordnance Mobile Workshop," to give it its full title, is self-contained upon two or three motor trucks, ingeniously arranged. The floor of the lorries carries light lathes and drilling machines, driven by electric transmission from the engine of the automobile, light being furnished from the same source. The trucks look like ordinary closed motor cars when travelling, but on duty the sides of the vans drop down to form platforms around the machinery, and the lathes are transformed into buzzing hives of activity. Their capacity is limited to the work that can be handled on the comparatively light tools that they carry.

The next stage is the "Medium Mobile Workshop." This is no longer self-contained on motor trucks, ready to lumber up and be off at a moment. It carries machinery that must be unloaded and installed in some convenient shed. The whole is transported on motor trucks, but the work is not carried on in the trucks. There is a compact oil engine and dynamo, to be bolted down to a hastily constructed foundation. There are lathes, milling machines, every sort of machine tool that is to be found in a general engineering shop. The whole concern requires about two days to set up and put in running order. Nearly everything except certain intricate repairs, can be performed here, and it is rarely necessary for a wounded gun to proceed any further.

But, for the accommodation of really bad cases, there are a few "Heavy Mobile Workshops," where anything that is susceptible of repair may be dealt with. These are equipped not only with heavier machinery than the Medium Workshops, but with elaborate additional machinery for special work. In addition to the big machine-shop, there are pattern-making shops, wheelers' shops, a foundry, air compressors, and every sort of device to supply the needs of an army that fights with highly scientific weapons. The whole outfit is constructed so that it may be taken down and packed into trucks drawn by great tractor engines.

The whole system is a miracle of organization for a war which although at present mainly one of position, may at any moment develop into one of movement. Everything, workshops included, must be ready to follow up an advance. Provision of machine shops at fixed points might meet the

conditions of trench warfare, but they would become useless as the line of battle left them behind. So the Gun Hospitals, like the Field Ambulances and Casualty Clearing Stations, are fashioned upon a plan that allows of ready movement.

There remains the case of the gun that through long and honorable service is worn out. It is removed from the battery, to be replaced by one of a number that lie in readiness at one of the gun parks behind the line, and is taken back to an arsenal to be rebuilt. The inner tube, whose rifling in some cases is worn nearly smooth, is removed and another inserted in its stead, after which the gun is ready to take its place once more in the emplacements of an active battery.

GRAY MAKES 'EAGLE' OF GOLF COURSE ON COUNTRY CLUB LINKS

Local Dentist Sets Record That Will Be Difficult To Equal

Playing on the Mt. Vernon country club course Sunday morning, Dr. Charles M. Gray made the first "eagle" of the course. An "eagle" is a hole played in two strokes below "par" (the theoretical score of an expert player). Dr. Gray's feat was accomplished on the "Roadside" hole, the play of which is across St. John's cemetery, "Par" for the hole is four strokes, Dr. Gray making it in two. His initial drive carried him well across the cemetery. He selected a mashie, and shot for the hole, the ball rolling in.

An "eagle" is a rarity on any course and it is probably some time before Dr. Gray's feat will be duplicated.

PHYSICIAN FOR 1000 PATIENTS MAY BE LIEUT. HINKLE'S JOB

Local Veterinary At Chillicothe Will Have Many Horses To Care For

Second Lieutenant T. B. Hinkle, U. S. Veterinary Corps, who is stationed at the draft camp, Chillicothe, spent Sunday with his wife here. Lieut. Hinkle is one of five veterinarians now at Chillicothe and is in the same company as Second Lieut. Arthur S. Thompson of Gambier. It is expected that there will be 10,000 horses in the camp before winter. Over 3,000 are being shipped this week. One veterinarian to each 1,000 horses is the plan.

THREE FEATURE DAYS AT THE COUNTY FAIR

Children, Automobiles And Soldiers Designated; Entries Fast

Feature days are being planned for the Knox county fair.

Wednesday, Sept. 19, will be Children's Day. All children up to and including the eighth grade, will be admitted free.

Thursday will be Automobile Day. Men have been engaged to take care of the machines.

Friday will be Soldiers' Day. All Civil war and Spanish-American War veterans will be admitted free, as well as all soldiers in uniform of the present war. If E Battery is still in the city, there will be an exhibition drill on the grounds.

Entries are coming in fast, but the fair board asks that all be made early so as to avoid the rush. These may be put in any time.

Warned.

"These pills have a horrible taste," said the lady customer. "Please take them back and give me something I can enjoy."

"Very well, madam," answered the obliging druggist, "but please remember that the difference in the price of a box of pills and a box of bombs is considerable."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

New American Marching Tune

Philadelphia Choirmaster Writes Rousing Setting For One Of Our Old and Popular Songs.

Battle Hymn of the Republic.

JULIA WARD HOWE. Solo or all voices in unison. RALPH KINDER.

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; 2. I have seen Him in the watch-tower of a hundred 3. I have read a gleam of glory in the dim and 4. He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; 5. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath read His righteous sentences by the dim and 4. He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; 5. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

Glo-ry! Glo-ry Hal-le-lu-jah! Glo-ry! Glo-ry Hal-le-lu-jah!

Glo-ry! Glo-ry Hal-le-lu-jah! His truth is marching on.

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RALPH KINDER, for many years organist and director at Holy Trinity church in Philadelphia, has prepared a new and rousing setting of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," which those who have heard it say is bound to make itself in a short time widely known and popular.

In an editorial in the Outlook recently Lyman Abbott made a forceful statement of the desirability of a setting of "The Battle Hymn" that should be distinctive and appropriate on church as well as on secular patriotic occasions, and to Philadelphia friends recently Bishop Brent expressed his feeling that the setting to "John Brown's Body," as used in the great commemorative service at St. Paul's, in London, when the bishop preached, did not comport with the solemnity of the occasion. That sentiment has been expressed by many others entitled to an opinion.

The new melody, which may be sung by many voices in unison or by solo voice with the chorus upon the refrain, has all the swing of the original march.

DRINKS AND SMOKES PUSH ALONG H. C. L.

Bill For Liquors and Cigars Highest Ever—Fair Ones Smoke Cigarettes.

The drink and smoke bills of the people of the United States were greater during the past fiscal year than ever before, the report of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn shows.

For the year there were 364,065,246 gallons of distilled spirits produced from every source, yielding a tax return of \$182,543,055. This is an increase of 20,000,000 gallons over the preceding year.

Cigars of all descriptions and weight were produced amounting to 9,216,901,113—approximately 90 per cent—as compared with 8,337,730,530 for the preceding year. There were 30,529,138,538 cigarettes manufactured during the year as against 21,087,757,078 last year. Even snuff went to new high levels of production, with 36,377,731 pounds, or an increase over last year of 2,300,000 pounds.

The taxes paid to the government on cigars, cigarettes, tobacco and snuff amounted to \$103,201,532, an increase of approximately \$15,000,000 over the previous year.

The production of beer, though exceeding that of the previous year, fell considerably below the high record of 63,000,000 barrels in 1914. Taxes were paid last year on 60,729,509 barrels at \$1.50 a barrel, and other taxes on brewers and retailers brought the total up to \$91,897,193 against \$88,771,104.

His Boat a Fish Trap.

When Barley Peterman of Findlay, O., raised his launch, which had been sunk in the Blanchard river in order to close up several seams, he found that the boat had served as a seine, as there were several bushels of fish in it.

UTICA FORFEITS, LOCALS WINNING BIG \$200 SERIES

Pitcher Of Licking Co. Aggregation 'Beefs' Over A Decision

MT. VERNON HAS TWO ON BASES; NOBODY OUT

Kunkle Works Well After First Inning; Al Schweitzer In The Line-Up

Because the Utica pitcher, Cheyney, a player from Columbus, became angry at a decision of the base umpire in the tenth inning when Utica was ahead of Mt. Vernon 9 to 7 and left the box, Utica forfeited the deciding game of the \$200 series to Manager Barre's team, 9 to 6, at the local baseball park Sunday. The score was 7 to 7 at the end of the ninth inning and in the first of the tenth Utica attached two runs. Mt. Vernon, when the game was forfeited to the local team, had made no runs, but had two men on bases and no outs.

Kunkle, the Amity man who pitched for Manager Barre, was admittedly a bit wild in the first inning, allowing four runs to Utica. After that, however, he settled down to business and pitched pretty ball.

Al Schweitzer, the International league player who has returned to Mt. Vernon, kept a watchful eye on the left field and when his turn came made good by pounding the ball.

Porter, who umpired the balls and strikes, stepped in as a pinch hitter for Mt. Vernon in the tenth inning and did well.

The climax of the whole thing, however, came when the base umpire, a Utica man, called Porter out at first base. The first baseman for Utica declared that he did not have his foot on the bag when he caught the ball and said he thought Porter was safe. At this stage of the game, Cheyney showed signs of becoming angry and later left the box with Manager Thompson of the Utica bond pleading with him to remain and finish the game. All of the other players desired to finish the game, but were unable to do so on account of the pitcher.

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LOCAL MEN ENLISTED IN MEDICAL CORPS GO WITH DELAWARE UNIT

In the Delaware medical corps which left that city Sunday for Montgomery, Ala., to go into training at Camp Sheridan, were two Mt. Vernon men, Lawrence W. Morrison and Dr. Edward Clark. The latter enlisted here and went to Ft. Benjamin Harrison, after which he was given a first lieutenancy and was in partial command of the troop of men.

LOCAL RED CROSS LARGEST IN STATE FOR SIZE OF CO.

In conversation Monday with a local officer of the Red Cross chapter, P. E. Abbott of Cleveland, who is director of chapter activities of the Lake division, stated that the Mt. Vernon chapter has the unique distinction of being one of the largest in the state, considering the population of its territory.

TO FEED UNCLE SAM'S SOLDIERS IN TEXAS

Dealers Planning to Deliver 4,395,000 Pounds of Potatoes.

Fort Sam Houston, Tex.—An enormous quantity of foodstuffs will be required to feed the thousands of soldiers who are soon to be stationed in different military posts and camps in Texas. This is shown by the quantity of potatoes and onions upon which bids have just been received at the chief quartermaster's office here.

These bids do not include the supplying of the new national guard camps, but are only for the troops at Fort Sam Houston and on the Mexican border. They call for the delivery during September and October of 4,395,000 pounds of potatoes and 549,500 pounds of onions. The potatoes and onions must be delivered during September and October.

The potatoes will be distributed as follows: Fort Sam Houston, 4,000,000 pounds; Brownsville, 75,000; Corpus Christi, 40,000; Del Rio, 45,000; Eagle Pass, 100,000; McAllen, 40,000; Mercedes, 35,000; San Fordyce, 30,000; and San Benito, 30,000. The onions will be distributed: To Fort Sam Houston, 500,000 pounds; Brownsville, 10,000; Corpus Christi, 5,000; Del Rio, 6,500; Eagle Pass, 10,000; McAllen, 5,000; Mercedes, 5,000; San Fordyce, 4,000; and San Benito, 4,000.

SEES THE END OF WAR IN A YEAR AT MOST

British Officer Thinks It May Come This Winter, Due to Germans' Hunger.

New York.—On a British liner which arrived at an American port from England were six men, headed by Sir Stephenson Kent, who will assist Lord Northcliffe's mission here.

A British officer who arrived on the liner and who requested that his name be mentioned said that a majority of the British officers in France believed that if the war does not end this winter it will within a year. His impression, as well as that of most of the other officers on the western front, was that increasing hunger among the Germans, with a combination of another winter and numerous blows, would surely bring about the end of the struggle.

He also spoke of the American export embargo as one of the strongest weapons of the war. As to the aerial side of the war, he said that aviators are wanted more than machines right now and that this country could do nothing better than to train fliers and send them abroad.

Lieutenant Ernest Hargett of Washington, an officer in the British army who served two years at the front, came to this country to join the American forces. Lieutenant S. LaM, Metcalfe, a Canadian who served in the Boer war as well as the present one, also was a passenger. He has two medals, one of which he won by capturing a German machine gun crew.

HUNDRED CANDLES ON CAKE.

Aged Man Celebrates His Birthday With Family.

Wauseon, O.—Lancelus Palmer Taylor, Fulton county's oldest man, has celebrated his one hundredth birthday at his home in Pike township, near Wauseon.

At noon there was a Taylor family birthday basket dinner, with a huge cake bearing 100 candles. In the afternoon friends and neighbors were received by the aged gentleman, who still has a very accurate memory, has a fairly strong voice and is able to walk about. Mr. Taylor made a few reminiscent remarks.

SHOOTING RANGE ATOP HOTEL

Roof of New York Hostelry to Have Rifle Club Next Winter.

New York.—The roof of a well known hotel is going to be converted into a shooting range next winter, with a club that is to be composed of men, women, boys and girls to do the shooting. Since the war came to America nearly every body wants to learn how to shoot, and the keepers of rifle galleries have been coining money. Miss Martha Maynard is to have charge of the new organization, and Miss June Haughton, who is a world famous shot, will supervise the actual firing.

An architect has been directed to convert the roof into an English shooting ground and lodge, with provision against any possible danger from stray shots.

Fox Dog Comes Back.

Oswada, Mich.—Bill Biggerstaff's pet fox dog has returned. The last Bill saw of the dog was in December, when he started a fox. He never was known to return without the fox before, sometimes being out as long as a week. But this time he came back in a baggage car crate, with a note from a man near Grand Marais, 250 miles away, who found the dog there starving two weeks ago. Bill will send the dog out the winter after the same fox.

MEN DISCHARGED 'TIL DECEMBER 1

Local Board Hears From The District Board

DON SLOCUM MISSING? Drafted Man Leaves; Schott Exempted; Chance Refused

The local draft board has received the certificates of temporary discharge, until Dec. 1, 1917, from the district board of Harry Hardin, Clarence Crawford, Carl F. King and Carl C. Pipes.

Carl Schott, Call No. 195, has been exempted on account of dependency by a Los Angeles board, according to a telegram received here Monday.

Don Dewey Slocum, subject to be sent to Chillicothe in the next contingent, has disappeared it would seem, as a card addressed to him at Utica, R. F. D., was returned to the local board Monday. He had left no address.

Clifford W. D. Chance, Knox county boy, was refused exemption by the Tombstone, Ariz., board. Chance has appealed from this decision to the district board.

MISS FLEMING HERE FOR A MONTH'S REST

Local Girl, In Chautauqua Light Opera, Goes South

Miss Gertrude Fleming, who joined the "Dorothy" Light Opera troupe when the chautauqua appeared here this summer, returned home Saturday night for a month's vacation. Miss Fleming will then resume her duties on the southern chautauqua circuit. Next season, she will appear on the circuit in the state of Maine. Her success in the work has been pronounced.

LOCAL PHYSICIANS TO MEET WITH OFFICERS FROM RESERVE CORPS

Dr. F. L. Singrey received a letter Monday from George V. Sheridan, secretary of the Ohio State Medical association, advising him of a meeting that is to be held at the Hotel Curtis in this city on Monday evening, Sept. 17, at 7:30, at which Drs. E. R. McClelland and M. B. McGinagle, lieutenants in the medical officers reserve corps, will be present in the interests of collecting data for the war department and also in the interest of medical recruiting.

The letter asks the local physicians to make the arrangement for the meeting.

Mrs. George Milton

Dies Following Stroke of Apoplexy Sustained Saturday At Home in Brown Township—Funeral Tuesday

Following a stroke of apoplexy, sustained Saturday, Mrs. George Milton, aged 61 years, died at her home near Biglow church in Brown township at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon. She leaves her husband, one son, Bert Milton, living at home, and one daughter, Mrs. Frye, also living in Brown township.

The funeral and burial at Wesley Chapel, the cortege leaving the house at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday.

CHILD DIES

The four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Armentrout of Fredericktown died at the home of his parents at 6 o'clock Sunday morning after a long illness. The child, besides its parents, leaves several brothers and sisters. The funeral at the home at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Burial in the North Liberty cemetery.

TABLES AND STANDS NEEDED BY KNOX CO. CHAPTER OF RED CROSS

The local chapter of the Red Cross is in very urgent need of kitchen or dining tables or small stands for use as work tables in the surgical dressing room. A carpet sweeper is also badly needed. Anyone having one or more of these articles that they care to donate or loan should notify Mrs. Luning Parsons, telephone 514 block.