

# Censor Helped Defeat Germany

The British postal censor is soon going the way of the telegraph and cable censorship—out. Judging from criticisms in America, such as that of the Merchants' association to the postmaster general, the going of this war institution will be just as joyously welcomed abroad as in England. But whatever the petulance of those who think war restrictions have held over too long, the postal censor, in the opinion of those who have watched his work from the viewpoint of British and allied security throughout the war, has been of the greatest service in defeating Germany.

The nearness of the date of the demise of this institution has called forth considerable information about its work. Thus far, however, there has been no amusing side such as was shown during the obsequies for the cable censorship.

Just after Mr. Lloyd George succeeded Lord Kitchener as secretary for war it is related that he provided the ammunition for the censor to give the paragraphs a lease on war life. Mr. Lloyd George went to Bramshott to bid good by to a Canadian division about to cross the channel. After the inspection he made a speech from his motorcar, concluding with a quotation from the Bible: "And may the Lord of Hosts be with you." Correspondents who sent their dispatches first to the censor were surprised to find the final words of the secretary running in this fashion: "And may be with you." It was amusing, but also serious, in the minds of the news writers, so they protested. However, they got their reply from the censor's department: "The Kaiser, having claimed the Lord as his aid-de-camp, no reference must be made to the Divinity in this connection."

## Enemy Schemes Thwarted.

As I said, the postal censorship has as yet turned up no morsel of relative choiceness. The postal censorship, however, has thwarted many enemy schemes that make just as interesting or more interesting reading. Furthermore, the British postal censorship was a much farther reaching organization than was attempted in America, simply because England was the channel through which virtually all questionable mail matter flowed. The postal censor in London was the

dam which held the flood of continental mail until each portion of it could be passed upon and approved before being scattered over the wide world.

An idea of the immensity of the task can be obtained from the fact that a staff of nearly a hundred expert linguists was constantly employed to examine and approve mail matter written and printed in more than a hundred languages and dialects. Manuscripts in every conceivable tongue found their place in this great mass of mail, estimated at about 150,000 letters daily.

Much of the mail was passed with only mechanical inspection, so sure did the examiners become of certain categories of communications. But considerable more than the time saved on harmless mail was consumed in exhaustive examination and tests of questionable matter, some of which was subjected to all manner of acid and X-ray inquiry to detect hidden messages.

There was also for a time a great smuggling campaign, harmless looking bundles such as newspapers containing various commodities then obtain-

able in enemy countries, such as coffee, rice, tobacco, sugar, and so on. Some even contained rubber hidden between the pages of the papers.

The most-sought-after evidence was that of military character, and the censorship of mails more than repaid its expensive outlay in detecting information that might have wrought havoc with allied arms, or at least helped Germany in no uncertain degree. There is little doubt that none of that character of information which the censorship obtained will be made public, but officials directing Britain's war machines have not been slow to say that thanks to the postal censorship much valuable military information, of every conceivable character, came to their attention.

Propaganda was the greatest and most constant effort of the Germans. The most harmless appearing sets of newspapers and magazines, some of them with covers dated before the war, dispatched from neutral nations to individuals or societies, such as scientific organizations, were often found to contain the latest German accusations of British mismanagement in Egypt, India or Ireland. Books, not always in German, were found to contain everything except what the title proclaimed. The postal censorship today possesses an intensely interesting museum of many of the propaganda carriers the Germans sent out, or caused to be sent out from their agents in neutral countries.

# Voice Orders Rule Air War

Washington.—Previous to the entry of the United States into the war, the problem of airplane radio development had received attention from the army.

In August, 1910, the first wireless transmission from airplanes was made. In the years following the development of the airplane radio was carried on through a series of accomplishments. These may be summed as follows:

1912—Message transmitted from airplane to ground by wireless telegraph over a distance of 50 miles.

1915—Fan type of driving the wireless power plant on the airplane developed and adopted.

1916—Radio telegraph transmission from airplane successful over 140 miles of distance; radio messages transmitted between airplanes in

flight; airplane radio telephone constructed.

1917—The human voice transmitted by radio telephone from airplane to ground.

## Talk Thousands of Miles.

Contemporaneous with this was the commercial development of the radio telephone for ground and ship use by engineers of the American Telephone and Telegraph company. This culminated in a successful transmission from the naval radio station at Arlington to stations thousands of miles away.

In May, 1917, steps were taken to combine the experience of the engineers and of the army in developing the airplane wireless.

Six weeks later the airplane telephone was a fact, and in October, 1917, a long-range test was made. Telephonic communication was carried on between airplanes in flight up to 25 miles apart and from airplane to ground up to a distance of 45 miles.

The development of voice commanded flying was definitely begun at Gerstner field, La., in May, 1918. On June 1 an aerial review was given by an air fleet of two squadrons of 18 planes each, followed by a close order drill by a section of six airplanes.

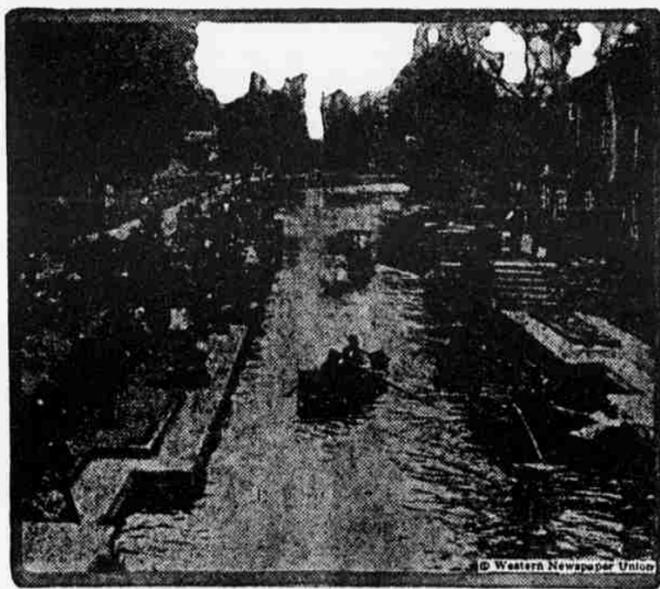
Throughout the review and the drill command was exercised by the voice of the commander flying with the fleet.

At the signing of the armistice, development and training in voice commanded flying was well under way. Numerous demonstrations were held during November and December and a fleet of 204 airplanes was maneuvered in the air at San Diego by voice command.

In the practical application of the airplane radio telephone to airplanes, over 6,000 flights have been made with this apparatus in this country. In the last 2,000 flights there have been only 74 cases of airplane trouble and only 25 cases of radio trouble.

Shipments of the apparatus to France in quantities began August and September, 1918, and of trained air service radio personnel in October. Had the war continued the voice-commanded military air unit would undoubtedly have made itself felt.

## POSTWAR ACTIVITIES ON THE THAMES



With the end of the war the locks of the Thames river are becoming alive with pleasure craft again. Great crowds flock to this river to enjoy the pleasures it affords. Our photograph shows Boulter's lock on a warm Sunday.

## Cotton Seized in 1867 Is Paid for by U. S.

Savannah, Ga.—The claim of the Imperial Importing and Exporting Company of Georgia for \$176,686.69 for cotton illegally seized by the federal government in 1867 has been paid, it developed through the filing of a petition in superior court here for permission to notify by advertisements stockholders and others interested.

The money is to be divided among residents of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Lawyers, however, will get half of the total. The case reached final decision in federal courts recently after ten years of litigation.

Truth is mighty—mighty scarce.

## ALIENS GOING HOME

1,300,000 Will Take \$4,000,000,000 With Them.

Chicago Expert Figures on Vast Exodus for the Department of Labor.

Washington, D. C.—One million three hundred thousand aliens in the United States are planning to desert this country for their homeland and they will take with them approximately \$4,000,000,000 American dollars.

These facts were disclosed in a report by Ethelbert Stewart of Chicago, director of the investigation and inspection service of the department of labor, after an investigation of prospective emigration from America.

The estimate, Mr. Stewart says, is conservative. That the aliens will take \$4,000,000,000 is figured on the basis

that the average amount each alien will carry is \$3,000.

An official statement from the department of labor says that up to June 1 investigations covered Chicago, the Indiana steel mill district (South Chicago, East Chicago, Indiana Harbor, South Bend, Gary, etc.), Detroit, Pittsburgh and surrounding steel districts, Johnstown, Pa., Youngstown, O., and Wilkesbarre, Pa., and surrounding coal mining area.

Of 163,498 Poles covered by the investigation, 24,590, or 15.04 per cent, will return to Poland; Austro-Hungarians, 28.02 per cent; Russians, 35.70 per cent; Croatians, 21.75 per cent; Lithuanians, 9.72 per cent; Roumanians, 64.29 per cent; Italians and Greeks, 11 per cent; Serbs, 38.90 per cent; Slovaks, 34.50 per cent.

The center of the quinine cultivation activity until recently in Perue has been transferred to Java.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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### LESSON FOR JULY 13

#### BAPTISM.

LESSON TEXTS—Matt. 28:18-20; Acts 8:34-40.

GOLDEN TEXT—For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.—Gal. 3:27.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—Matt. 2:18-17; Acts 2:37, 38; 19:1-7; Col. 2:12; 1 Peter 3:18-21.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Jesus Christ Baptized by John.

JUNIOR TOPIC—The Baptism of Jesus Christ.

INTERMEDIATE TOPIC—The Pledge of Christian Discipleship.

SENIOR AND ADULT TOPIC—Significance and Importance of Christian Baptism.

#### I. The Apostles' Commission (Matt. 28:18-20).

1. The authority of Jesus. (v. 18). God gave him all authority in heaven and on earth. As mediator and coming king he possessed all authority. This authority extends over all the material world, angels, wicked men, devils, and his own people. God highly exalted him and gave him a name which is above every name (Phil. 2:9). There is no other way of salvation, for the entire matter of redemption is in his hands (Acts 4:12). Since God has so highly honored him it is extreme folly to expect to be saved while disregarding him.

2. The obligation of the apostles (vv. 19-20).

(1) It was to teach, that is, make disciples of all the nations (v. 19). They were to make known to the whole world that Christ had died to save sinners and that God had committed to Jesus the redemption of the world. Those who are Christ's disciples are bound to proclaim him to others.

(2) Baptize those who believe (v. 19). This is the divinely appointed way of making a public confession of faith in Christ. The disciples must publicly take a stand for Christ. The application of water symbolizes the purifying effect of the blood of Christ and solemnly dedicates to the service of God. This baptism must be in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, showing that the believer has been brought into definite relationship to each member of the Holy Trinity.

(3) Teach the disciples obedience (v. 20). Profession is not enough, it must issue in obedience. Faith must result in works. To call Jesus "Lord" and do not the things which he says profits nothing.

3. The all-sufficient promise (v. 20). The Lord had told the disciples what would happen to them after he had gone away. He made it plain that perils of all kinds awaited them. Though the difficulties were great nothing mattered so long as they had the presence and fellowship of the all-powerful Savior and Lord.

#### II. The Baptism of the Eunuch (Acts 8:34-40).

1. Philip preached Jesus Christ to him (v. 35). At the invitation of the eunuch Philip joined himself to the chariot and found the eunuch reading from the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah. Beginning with this Scripture he preached Christ. He did not preach Christ as a great teacher, but as a savior who had suffered and died instead of the sinner. He preached him as one who had offered himself as a ransom for many. The fact that the eunuch, a great statesman, needed an interpreter of the Scriptures, even such a plain passage as the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah, shows the absolute need of a preacher. The printed page is valuable, but there will always be the need of a preacher. The gospel needs to be experienced before one can be a witness of its saving power.

#### 2. The eunuch requesting baptism (v. 36).

When Christ is truly preached men naturally desire to confess him in baptism. In many quarters baptism has been unduly emphasized, but in others it has been disregarded. It is highly important that an intelligent understanding of its meaning be possessed; for that of which Jesus Christ gave an example and a command is highly important.

3. Philip baptizing the eunuch (v. 38). Having secured from the eunuch the proper confession Philip baptized him. It is faith in Christ that saves, but those who have genuine faith desire to seal it in baptism.

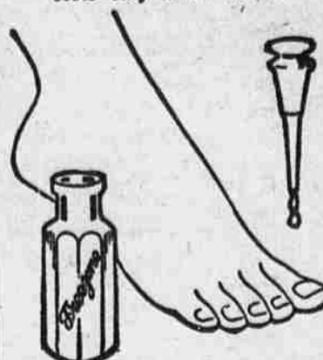
4. The eunuch rejoicing (v. 39). Confession of Christ brings joy. Those who obey the commandments of the Lord can go on their way rejoicing.

#### Jesus Saves.

As a child walking over a slippery and dangerous path cries out, "Father, I am falling!" and has but a moment to catch his father's hand, so every believer sees hours when only the hand of Jesus comes between him and the abysses of destruction.—Cuyler.

## Lift off Corns!

Doesn't hurt a bit and Freezone costs only a few cents.



With your fingers! You can lift off any hard corn, soft corn, or corn between the toes, and the hard skin calluses from bottom of feet.

A tiny bottle of "Freezone" costs little at any drug store; apply a few drops upon the corn or callus. Instantly it stops hurting, then shortly you lift that bothersome corn or callus right off, root and all, without one bit of pain or soreness. Truly! No humbug!

#### Valuable War Relic.

A shotgun used in the battle of Bunker Hill in 1775 and the battle of New Orleans in 1815 has been presented to the State Historical society at Columbia by P. J. Hainey of Barnard, Mo. It is an old model muzzle-loader 59 inches long with a 43-inch barrel. It has the same lock, stock and barrel used at Bunker Hill, and though much worn can still shoot. On the stock is attached a tallow and patch box which was used to grease the balls when loaded in the gun.

## WHY DRUGGISTS RECOMMEND SWAMP-ROOT

For many years druggists have watched with much interest the remarkable record maintained by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder medicine.

It is a physician's prescription. Swamp-Root is a strengthening medicine. It helps the kidneys, liver and bladder do the work nature intended they should do.

Swamp-Root has stood the test of years. It is sold by all druggists on its merit and it should help you. No other kidney medicine has so many friends.

Be sure to get Swamp-Root and start treatment at once.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

#### New Mineral Found.

A new mineral has been discovered in Siberia. The discovery was made by a hunter on the shore of Lake Balkash, and the mineral has been named baltashite. It has the appearance of dark brown hard rubber, and when ignited it burns with a strong flame, leaving about 2 per cent ash. When placed in water it becomes a mass very much like paraffin.

## FRECKLES

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There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as Othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of Othine—double strength—from your druggist, and apply a little of it at night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than one ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength Othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.—Adv.

#### Hard to Learn Golf.

"How long have you played golf?"

"About 15 years."

"You must play it mighty well by now."

"Not at all. But after I've played it 15 or 20 years more if I keep on improving at the same rate as I have been in the past, I expect to be able to shoot a fairly decent game."

#### Don't Forget Cuticura Talcum

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One druggist doesn't make a summer, but his soda fountain enables him to turn out a good many swallows.

Children's handkerchiefs often look hopeless when they come to the laundry. Wash with good soap, rinse in water blued with Red Cross Ball Blue.

The average man lets good opportunities go while waiting for a better one.

Dance music is the sole-stirring kind.