

HUNS AND TURKS COME TO PARTING OF WAYS

LONDON, Aug. 1.—"The relations between Germany and Turkey have been severed, according to direct information from Constantinople."

This announcement is made by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

The excitement against Germany, the advices further say, has been growing, particularly after last week's events.

The Germans recently demanded the cruiser Hamidieh, the only large ship in the possession of Turkey, as compensation for the Breslau, the former German cruiser, which was destroyed in the Dardanelles while under the Turkish flag.

Advices from New York say Little has been reported to amplify the Copenhagen dispatch to the effect that Turkey and Germany have broken off relations.

Amsterdam advices, however, indicate that Turkey intends to pursue an aggressive policy in the Caucasus region, the field supposedly set aside for German exploitation.

This may carry a measure of confirmation of the rumor that the quadruple alliance has broken over the division of spoils subsequent to the peace treaties with Russia and Rumania.

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WAR GARDENERS RESPOND TO CALL

Will "Keep the Food Coming" as General Pershing Has Asked.

BIG INCREASE THIS YEAR

Central West and Pacific Coast Especially Are Doing Well—National Commission Offers Prizes for Best Home-Grown Canned Vegetables.

Washington.—The war gardeners of the United States answered Pershing's call to "Keep the Food Coming." There are, according to figures being tabulated by the national war garden commission, 4,900,000 war gardens in the United States.

"Taking these early figures into consideration," said Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the commission, in making public the preliminary survey, "together with the increased canning demonstration work being done by the United States department of agriculture in cities and towns, we feel safe in saying the forecast of 1,500,000,000 quarts in tin and glass of canned stuff, made by the department, will be reached."

Big Prizes Are Offered.

The report points to the early planting season this year, which was made possible by weather generally favorable throughout the country. To encourage saving the garden crop the national war garden commission, which planted a 400-acre demonstration war garden at Camp Dix, N. J., is offering \$10,000 in prizes for the best canned vegetables grown in war gardens, with the slogan "Back up the cannon by use of the canner."

In nearly every section of the country there has been an appreciable and encouraging increase in the number of war gardens this year, the commission announced. This has ranged anywhere from 10 to 60 per cent. In the Eastern portions there was a failure to note a gain on the early returns.

"The greatest percentage of increase," the commission's statement adds, "was made in the Central Western states and Pacific coast, taking any one section of the country as a whole. There an awakening has taken place which revealed itself in an enthusiastic, widespread drive to help home food production. Of the total number of war gardens in the United States, the preliminary reports show that more than 2,000,000 of them—2,278,000, to be exact—were in the Central Western territory. There was a gain of fully 50 per cent over the war garden activity of last year.

Eastern States Lagging.

"The Eastern states, including New England, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, on the whole showed little increase over last year. In certain parts of all this territory there has been a better showing, and particularly has there been a greater activity among manufacturing concerns in providing land for their employees; but these gains have been counteracted to a certain extent by less activity in other places; so that the amount of food home-grown along the upper Atlantic coast this year will be slightly if any greater than last year. Better cultivation in hundreds of cases may make up for what is lacking in numbers. In New York the park department alone reports 2,000 war gardens 28 by 40. The total number of war gardens in this territory, as shown by the reports, is 848,000, of which 737,000 are in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

REJECTED BY NAVY; DRAFTED

Man Is Accepted for Service in Army After Qualifying as Postman.

Oswalla, Ore.—Ernest Chase, rural mail carrier, enlisted in the navy. After his final physical examination he was discharged as being physically unfit. Then he got a job as rural carrier and invested \$40 in a rig, horse and outfit. After working 20 days he was called in the military draft, passed by the local examining board, and ordered to camp.

He doesn't know now whether to sell his rig and give up his job, or whether to take a "lay off" and trust to being rejected by the army as he was by the navy.

TANK CORPS GROWING

Recruits Arrive Daily at Gettysburg Camp.

Long Hikes in Heavy Marching Order Fit Men for Duty With Pershing's Army.

Camp Colt, Gettysburg, Pa.—The American tank corps continues to grow and develop. Recruits are still coming in and the men already here are being drilled to within an inch of their lives. This is the preliminary discipline and the physical drill which will fit the men for the strenuous life of a "tanker" overseas.

Although the work is hard, the men like it. They realize their need of this heavy drill and exercise. Negotiating the gray steel monsters over No Man's Land is distinctly not a job for a man whose muscles are not almost as hard as steel itself.

The daily work, the fresh air, plenty of sleep and the excellent daily rations are doing wonders in producing as fine a bunch of real fighting men as can be found anywhere. The officers' school will be continued indefinitely. As fast as men complete the prescribed course, others will take their places. From now on, all commissioned officers will be selected from the ranks.

The tank corps is a progressive unit. Every once in a while a battalion will disappear overnight, bound for "somewhere." Recruits will fill their places and the work of training will move right along. New officers, trained simultaneously with the men, will command the disappearing battalion.

BEST SHOD FIGHTERS



The men stationed at Camp Sherman will be among the best shod fighters in the entire world. An experimental test to find the average size and width of the shoes used and the amount of leather consumed showed that by using a device known as the Resco shoe-fitting device the shoes are made more comfortable for the men and leather is saved. Here is shown the device being put to practical use. Each man wears two pairs of wool socks when fitted for the shoes.

SALUTES PHOTO OF PREMIER

Instinctive Action of Officer Reveals Respect of French for M. Clemenceau.

Paris.—Little unconscious acts often reveal the real measure of the popularity of a great leader.

In the photographer's showcase not far from the fashionable Parc Monceau there is among other pictures an excellent almost life-size head of M. Clemenceau. A young French officer who was passing the shop the other day glanced casually at the showcase. Perceiving the picture of his chief he instinctively raised his hand to a salute and passed on unaware that his spontaneous tribute had been observed.

In the early days of the long-range gun bombardment of Paris, says the Matin, it was stated that the shells were made from a new type of steel alloyed with vanadium, which gave it exceptional properties. But analysis has shown that the shells are made of ordinary nickel and chrome steel, such as is in current use for making guns both in France and Germany and whose properties are well known.

FAILS TO LOCATE BRAINS

Correspondence Course in Occult Science of No Help to This Man.

San Francisco.—Rushing up to Policeman J. Connell in the city hall, Sam Sanko announced with hectic tones that some unprincipled thief had gone and stolen his brains. Sanko, who is an Austrian, declared that the robbery had taken place four years ago and that he had taken a correspondence course in occult science in the hope of regaining the missing parts, but of no avail. Policeman Connell concluded that Sanko had diagnosed his own case very well, and so escorted him to the detention hospital.

CZECHS IN ITALY MUST WIN OR DIE

Fighting Against Austria, Their Capture Means Nothing but Execution.

WON'T LEAVE THEIR DEAD

All Fallen Comrades Carried From the Field—These Valorous Warriors Select Their Own Officers and Eliminate Weak and Unfit.

(Special Correspondence of Italian American News Bureau.)

Italian Front.—The Slav soldiers in the Italian army elect their own superiors by the most rigid tests, and thus they are representative of the manhood of their nationalities. The Italian soldiery and people have taken kindly to them.

The first of the proofs of valor they gave are admirable, although limited to modest operations in exploring and raiding. Whether by themselves or with Italian troops, these Czech-Slovaks, arriving from beyond the ocean, have kept up the fire of patriotism and the ardor to fight, and have fought well.

The repatriates of the Czech-Slovak army have been saluted already with brotherly love by the population in the zone of war, especially by the ancient inhabitants of the Veneto, who have the most recent and liveliest recollection of oppression and the convulsive struggle for redemption.

The women of Verona offered them a battle flag in the Bohemian colors, surmounted by a lion. The soldiers recognized the sanctity of the gift and swore an oath that they would die for that emblem of liberty. The expression was not rhetorical and the oath superfluous.

Are Killed If Captured.

The fate that awaits these new warriors for the ideals of a far-off and oppressed country is shown by the inflexible military rules of the Austrian empire. They are all subjects of the Emperor Carl and as such death is the only thing in store for them if captured.

Their word is for that reason sacred. Neither alive nor dead must they fall into the hands of the enemy. Even the dead must be snatched from the oppressor. Each one has sworn to carry off to the Italian lines the body of a compatriot killed in action.

Recently, during a reconnaissance, a Bohemian fell close to the enemy lines. Braving a hot fire, the explorers hurried to carry him off, fearing that in a night sortie the Austrians might get the body.

These "soldiers of death" know that if an operation fails of success they must kill themselves. To the ignominious death inflicted by the enemy they prefer suicide. Whether through death by the enemy or through their own hands, they have consecrated their lives to the distant fatherland, from which they have come to fight in the greatest cradle of all liberty and all ideals—Italy.

Eliminate Weak and Unfit.

Rome, the ancient lighthouse of civility and of liberty, has substituted these new companions in arms for those of Russia. These warriors for the freedom of their country have found in the ranks of our own combatants fraternity and sturdy faith. This fraternity, more than common ideals for the redemption of their respective countries, is cemented by the knowledge and vision of the real difficulties and the resolution and firmness of purpose of the new combatants. From their own ranks on a spontaneous vote they have eliminated all about whose military vigor or enthusiasm there could be any doubt, so that the recruits represent the flower of the soldiery of the oppressed nationalities. Drawn from the same country, speaking the same tongue, in the daily intimacy of their new military life, they have subjected each other to voluntary but inflexible tests. The results are confided only to their officers.

"Titus does not please me. He would not make a good corporal. We do not want him," they say. Thus, out of the ancient military system of Austria springs elements of criticism which exclude the weak and unfit. The officers must heed these verdicts, which, like all collective judgments, arise from a full consensus of the judges.

Elect Own Officers.

The examination of the political opinion is not less exacting for being carried out by fellow soldiers. A Czech recruit who spoke his mother tongue well was challenged by his compatriots. "He speaks our language well, but his heart is not Czech," they said. It was learned that during protracted business transactions in Vienna he had lost the fierceness and the intrepidity of the Bohemian character through daily contact with the Austrian authorities.

This control has been fraught with excellent results. Those who have survived the tests of the assembled judges have furnished the best war material and proved themselves dependable in military and moral affairs.

The officers are also elected by the soldiers, who trust their leaders with blind faith, and give them the most rigid obedience and discipline. Such discipline the new soldiers of liberty are taught, by their remembrance of imperial oppression, to hold essential to the triumph of their cause.

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