

IS WITHIN HEARING OF THE BIG GUNS

Carl Tauger Nearing Front Line; Sees Other Local Boy in France

Carl Tauger, of the 330 Inf. Medical department, A. E. F., says in a letter written home to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Tauger, of East Hamtramck street, from France that he is now within the sound of the big guns. He also says that the weather is very warm and that he has seen Charles Ransom, James McDonough, and Lawrence Willis since he has been in France.

Lay of the Last Hen.
"The Lay of the Last Minstrel" may have caused some apprehension in its day, but were the lay of the last hen to be announced in ours there would certainly be a panic.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

MOTHERS TO BE

Should Read Mrs. Monyhan's Letter Published by Her Permission.

Mitchell, Ind.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me so much during the time I was looking forward to the coming of my little one that I am recommending it to other expectant mothers. Before taking it, some days I suffered with neuralgia so badly that I thought I could not live, but after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was entirely relieved of neuralgia, I had gained in strength and was able to go around and do all my housework. My baby when seven months old weighed 19 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine do me so much good."—Mrs. PEARL MONYHAN, Mitchell, Ind.

Good health during maternity is a most important factor to both mother and child, and many letters have been received by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., telling of health restored during this trying period by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

For Baby Rash
Itching, chafing, scalding, all irritations and soreness, nothing heals like **Sykes Comfort Powder**
In extraordinary healing and soothing power is noticeable on first application. 25c at the Vinal and other drug stores. The Comfort Powder Co., Boston, Mass.

THE VINE THEATRE

TODAY
GEORGE WALSH
—in—
"BRAVE AND BOLD"

WEDNESDAY:
DOUBLE SHOW!
ANN PENNINGTON

—in—
"SUNSHINE NAN"
Also a Mack Bennett Farce Comedy.

—in—
"SHERIFF NELL'S TUSLE"
Matinee, one show at 2:15; Evening 7:00 and 8:45.

THURSDAY:
THEDA BARA

—in—
"SOUL OF BUDDAH"
Ford Educational Weekly.
Mutt and Jeff Comedy Cartoon.
Matinee, one show at 2:15; evening 7 and 8:45.

FRIDAY:
HAZEL DAWN and BERT LYTTLE

—in—
"THE LONE WOLF"
Also a Mack-Bennett Comedy (Return Engagement).

—in—
"THAT NIGHT"
Shows: Matinee one show at 2:15; Evening 7 and 8:45.

COMING SOON:
"THE WOMAN IN THE WEBB"
Vitagraph's Great Special.

—in—
"THE SUN OF DEMOCRACY,"
U. S. Government Official War Review.
"THE WHIP" and **"THE STILL ALARM."**

NEW STYLES CUT OF OLD FABRICS

American Designers Exploiting Fresh Fashions by Use of Discarded Materials.

NO OUTSIDE HELP NECESSARY

Country No Longer Must Ask What is the Fashion, but is Enabled to Produce Sufficient to Supply the Demand.

New York.—Paris is never handicapped in creating fashions by the actions of other designers. That is why she is powerful. America has always suffered under this handicap because she has followed Paris, asserts a prominent fashion authority. She has never been inclined to risk the exploitation of fabrics, fashions and colorings that were not sponsored by the mother of fashions.

It is said of us that we acknowledge the best in every pattern and bring it to our shores. We know the best in every department of art, science and literature. If we are compelled to put our knowledge to practical use, we at least have the best to go on. We are not ignorant.

The time has come for this experiment, as we all know, and the observer thinks that a few medals of honor should be distributed to those who have gone "over the top" in designing clothes in this country. It took great commercial courage and it required a sound knowledge of the American public.

What France Did America Does.
Here are two anecdotes which accentuate the point. They happened a dozen years apart. Mme. Paquin saw several bolts of checked silk in a manufacturer's hands. Neither the weave, the coloring nor the design was in fashion, to quote her own phrase. The manufacturer complained that he had no call for this quantity of material and that he would sell it for about a franc and a half a yard. Mme. Paquin took it all, went to her saloon on the Rue de la Paix, turned the cheap check silk into an alluring frock of her own design, and then wore it at Trouville-by-the-Sea. She made the frock, the design, the color and the fabric fashionable. Everyone wanted to wear what she wore. She sold every inch of the material at a price that brought her unmeasured profit on the transaction.

Last month an American designer was looking over the stock of a lace

The bargain was closed. The gown was designed. It sold immediately. It was copied so fast that the other 49 scarfs melted away like flakes of soap in hot water. Spanish lace was offered as a first fashion.

That is a good example of the change that has come over the American merchant and the American designer. We no longer have to ask what is the fashion, but are probably enabled to make the fashion for our own continent.

Management of Black Taffeta.
It is easy to realize that taffeta has come into a first summer fashion, although the popular mind does not regard it as one of the lovely weaves



One of the new black taffeta gowns that is far from commonplace. The skirt is a series of small ruffles edged with white silk cord and cut in peg-top fashion. The slim bodice is mounted on a yoke of taffeta braided with white cord, and the short sleeves are cut in one with the yoke. There is a pink rose with green leaves at the waist, and there are green shoes and stockings.

of the world, because it is plentiful. There is no trouble about getting all the taffeta one wants, and it is best that we model our wardrobes for the near future on the materials that can be bought in this country in sufficient quantity to correspond to our needs.

Much can be done with this material that will result in a gown out of the ordinary and conspicuous for charm and cleverness. If you could have seen a woman who came into a restaurant for dinner wearing a certain black taffeta gown, you would have been convinced in the twinkling of an eye that the fabric matters nothing if the designer has cleverness.

The skirt was made of narrow ruffles that extended from waist to ankles, each ruffle edged with a white silk cord. The hem was excessively narrow. The foundation for these ruffles fitted the figure like a sheath. There was a bodice, straight and simple, and the major part of it was a yoke with short sleeves which was braided with white cord in a fantastic design. At the side of the waist was a deep pink satin rose with green velvet leaves. The slippers and stockings were green. There was nothing demure about this black taffeta gown.

Treat Blue Serge in Various Ways.
Blue serge is a fabric that will always be with us, as far as the manufacturers and the war board can look ahead.

It is usually midnight blue, and, given a few yards of it in this color, the designers do not want to sit down and turn it out into insignificant frocks and inconspicuous suits.

A woman who came to a "defense" luncheon one day wore a blue serge gown that was the product of a clever designer and it surely turned our ideas about suits topsy-turvy.

The coat was split up the back as well as the front. It was worn over a long cuirass blouse, the kind that gains in importance every day. The blouse was made of a richly embroidered tulle in blue, black and dashes of dull red. It did not cling tightly to the figure, but outlined it more than usual. Over it hung the loose blue serge coat, opening in a deep V in the middle of the front and the back. It was closed at the neckline and had a collar of the serge. There was a loose belt of the material, and the skirt was exceedingly narrow and short.

By the way, it is wise for any woman who orders a new suit today to see that the skirt has a sizeable hem, for the new order to the shoemakers, given by the government, which demands low shoes for the duration of the war, may change the skirt length. I doubt it. The length may be changed, but it will not be because of the low shoes, for gaiters, which are made of fabric, may be as high as desired, and women prefer them to high boots.

We may also adopt the French fashion of wearing serviceable Oxford ties with straight heels and rounded toes. The bootmakers say they have more orders for these today than ever. With such shoes the average woman does not care whether her skirt is eight or ten inches from the ground, unless she is given to suffering from exposed ankles. (Copyright, 1918, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

M. E. W. F. M. S.
The W. F. M. society of the M. E. church, held its monthly meeting Friday afternoon in the church parlors. The devotionals were in charge of Mrs. F. G. Hadley.

The program followed in charge of Mrs. W. F. Pembroke. Subject: "Out-of-Doors With the Missionary." Song, "God Will Take Care of You." Reading, "A Day at the Fair"—Mrs. H. Aisdorf.

Piano solo—Miss Minard. Reading, "They Came by Night"—Mrs. E. M. Wright. Song, "Rescue the Perishing." Reading, "A Leaf from the Diary of Dora Walsh, Algiers, North Africa"—Mrs. William Pembroke.

During the business session which follows; sixteen delegates were elected for the convention to be held in Mansfield this month.

The report of the nominating committee was given and the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President—Mrs. William Bricker.
1st Vice Pres.—Mrs. F. C. Anderson.
2nd Vice Pres.—Mrs. O. M. Ashbaugh.
3rd Vice Pres.—Mrs. Thurlow Burger.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. S. F. Carey.
Assistant Recording Secretary—Mrs. William Pembroke.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. C. K. Conard.
Mite Box Secretary—Mrs. Fred Merrill.
Assistant Mite Box Secretary—Mrs. Paul Turner.
Treasurer—Mrs. A. B. Henderson.
Assistant Treasurer—Mrs. Park Blair.

Steward—Mrs. J. W. Brawner.
Pianist—Mrs. Frank Branyan.
Assistant Pianist—Mrs. W. P. Sawvel.

Supervising Children's Work—Mrs. Paul Ashbaugh.
Superintendent Standard Bearers—Mrs. Bernice Long.

Assistant Standard Bearers—Mrs. Margaret Morrison.
Superintendent King's Herald—Mrs. E. B. Miller.

Superintendent Light Bearers—Mrs. C. S. Sapp.
Agent for W. F. M. "Friend"—Mrs. Susie Huntsberger.

Agent for Junior "Friend"—Mrs. Champion.
Press Correspondent—Mrs. Frank Durbin.

Assistant Press Correspondent—Miss Alice Lane.
Chairman Thank Offering Committee—Mrs. Thomas Weir.

Flower Supt.—Mrs. Samuel Cramer.
Tithing Sec.—Mrs. R. S. Lord.
Jubilee Sec.—Mrs. C. S. Sapp.
Librarian Sec.—Mrs. C. Irvine.

Extension Secretary—Mrs. Potter Sockman.
Special Work Sec.—Mrs. Jennie Stephens.

Chorister—Mrs. H. W. Blair.
Program committee—Mrs. P. S. Keller, Mrs. C. C. Dowds, Mrs. H. W. Blair.

PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR FAMILY REUNION

The following program has been arranged for the Bell-Hays reunion which will be held at the Grove church on Saturday:

Music—Charles Shrontz, Oren Fawcett, Charles McKee, George Hays.
Reading—Leland Purdy.

Music—Almon Wolfe and Fanny Wolfe.
Address—Cary L. Logsdon.

Music—Chorus.
Reading—Bertha Hays.
Music—Chorus.
Address—Cloyse Hays.

Quartet.
Reading—Lawrence Petry.
Address—Lee Bell.

Solo—Lena Porterfield.
Recitation—Pauline Porterfield.
Song—Chorus.
Address—Samuel Bell.

AUGUST MEETING POSTPONED.
The monthly meeting of the W. F. M. S. of the M. P. church has been postponed for the month of August.

The executive committee of the Red Cross meets at headquarters in North Main street at 8 o'clock tonight.

W.S.S.
SAVE and SERVE
BUY
WAR SAVINGS
STAMPS

LOCAL PEOPLE TO ATTEND 'Y. W.' MEET

Mrs. Williams Organizing a Party To Go To Institute At Columbus

An institute for the purpose of training Y. W. C. A. speakers and workers will be held at the Hotel Deshler in Columbus on Aug. 7 and 8, according to announcement received here by Mrs. B. B. Williams, who is now organizing a party to attend the meeting.

The program which will be followed at the meeting is one which per-

tains almost entirely to war work, discussions on camp recreation work and similar movements being foremost.

Among the speakers and instructors at the meeting will be Miss Helen Barnes and Miss Williamson of the National War Work council of New York, Miss Anna Owers and Miss Calkins of department headquarters at Chicago, Miss Hull of the Patriotic league of Chillicothe, Mrs. Jackson, head of the new hostess house for colored troops at Camp Sherman, and Miss Bartlett, a war worker with the ammunition girls of Dayton.

CAMP AT CAVES

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Darling, Russe, Darling, Miss Helen Darling, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCullough and George C. Congdon, Jr., went to the Caves

Saturday and camped there over night Saturday and Sunday.

WHERE BE YUH, OLE TWENTY BELOW? WE GOT YUH GOIN' NOW

Sunday was the hottest day Mt. Vernon has had this summer, according to William G. Scribner, the thermometer registering from 93 to 95 in the shade, while Sunday night was probably the hottest Mt. Vernon has had this summer, the thermometer showing 80 degrees at midnight and not falling at any time below 75 degrees.

LIEUT. SPERRY TRANSFERRED

Lieut. Lawrence E. Sperry has been transferred to Camp Perry, O., from Camp Gordon, Ga. He expects to sail for France soon.

August Clean - Up Sale

It is every ones patriotic duty to make his money go as far as possible. During this August Clean-Up Sale many opportunities are afforded to effect real savings. Many odd lots are being closed out and many items in staple merchandise are being offered at much less than Fall prices which will be in effect in about a month. A word to the wise is sufficient.

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| MEN'S SPORT SHIRTS—
\$1.00 values 69c | \$8.00 to \$12.50 SUMMER DRESS—
ES—Now \$6.75 |
| MEN'S \$1.50 SPORT SHIRTS—
at 89c | A few Women's SILK DRESSES at a discount of 25 PERCENT. |
| MEN'S 75c NAINSOOK UNION SUITS 59c | One lot of CHILDREN'S WHITE DRESSES—
At a discount of 20 PERCENT. |
| MEN'S \$1.25 VALUE NAINSOOK UNIONS 98c | One lot of HOUSE DRESSES—That are worth \$2.00 and \$2.50; sale price \$1.39 |
| CHILDREN'S \$1 and \$1.25 PLAY SUITS 89c | 60 light weight SUMMER COATS values \$10 to \$30; sale prices \$5 to \$20 |
| HUMAN HAIR SWITCHES at ONE-FOURTH OFF | One lot WOOL SUITS AND SILK SUITS—
Values up to \$30.00; sale price \$13.75 |
| WOMEN'S SLEEVELESS VESTS 15c | A few blue and black SILK SUITS—Worth up to \$35; now \$18.75 |
| Women's lace trimmed or tight knee 65c UNION SUITS 59c | One lot of WOOL SUITS—That are worth from \$25.00 to \$40.00; sale price \$18.75 |
| 75c Bottle OIL OF CEDAR POLISH for furniture, autos, etc., guar... 49c | WASH SKIRTS—Much reduced. Big values at \$1.19, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.85 and \$6.50. |
| Brown and White BAKING DISHES 10c | One lot of FANCY WOOL SKIRTS—
at 25 PERCENT. OFF |
| Four different patterns in DINNERWARE, 50 pc. sets for... \$8.25 | CHILDREN'S GINGHAM BLOOMERS 29c
—Worth 50c now..... |
| COLUMBIA RECORDS reproducing all the new war songs. Come and hear them. | SHORT SLEEVE MIDDY BLOUSES—
Slightly soiled, \$2 values for... \$1 |
| AXMINSTER RUGS—Six good patterns; beautiful colors; Special \$32.50 | One lot of EMBROIDERIES—
at HALF PRICE |
| ROYAL WILTON RUGS—In 10 good patterns; they ought to be \$80, but they are..... \$50.00 | 58c TISSUE GINGHAMS—
Per yard 39c |
| 4-yd. wide PRINTED LINOLEUM \$1.75 val., per sq. yd. \$1.25 | FANCY SILKS—Worth up to \$1.25, for yard 89c |
| LACE CURTAINS—One and two pair lots at about ONE-HALF PRICE | Up to \$2.25 FANCY SILKS—
Per yard \$1.69 |
| A LITTLE WONDER CARPET SWEEPER FREE with each room-size rug. | 27-inch PERCALES—
Per yard 19c |
| \$3.98 SUMMER DRESSES for \$2.98 | LIGHT WEIGHT COTTON DRESS FABRICS such as Volles, Organdies, Batistes and Lawns in many handsome patterns at greatly reduced prices. |
| \$5.00 SUMMER DRESSES—
now \$3.98 | COLUMBIA GRAFONOLAS and RECORDS on sale in the Basement Department. |

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THE STORE OF QUALITY