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## Gunner Depew

By **Albert N. Depew**  
Ex-Gunner and Chief Petty Officer, U. S. Navy  
Member of the Foreign Legion of France  
Captain Gun Turret, French Battleship Cassard  
Winner of the Croix de Guerre

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### DEPEW GOES "OVER THE TOP" AND GETS HIS FIRST GERMAN IN BAYONET FIGHT.

**Synopsis.**—Albert N. Depew, author of the story, tells of his service in the United States navy, during which he attained the rank of chief petty officer, first-class gunner. The world war starts soon after he receives his honorable discharge from the navy, and he leaves for France with a determination to enlist. He joins the Foreign Legion and is assigned to the dreadnaught Cassard, where his marksmanship wins him high honors. Later he is transferred to the land forces and sent to the Flanders front. He gets his first experience in a front line trench at Dixmude. Legionaries vow vengeance when Germans hide behind Belgian women and children.

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The lieutenant came back with the stretcher bearers and he asked one of them, so the boy could not hear him, if the boy would live.

The stretcher bearer said: "I don't think so. One through his chest and right leg broken."

"The boy had kept quiet for a while, but all of a sudden he yelled, 'Give me a cigarette!' I handed him a cigarette butt that I had found in the dugout. We were all out of cigarettes.

So they lit it for him and he kept quiet. As soon as they could they got around the corner of the fire bay with him and through a communication trench to a field hospital. The lieutenant and I walked a little way with him and he began to thank us, and he told the lieutenant, 'Old man, you have been a father and a mother to me.'

And the lieutenant said to him: "You have done well, old boy. You have done more than your share."

When they started into the communication trench the boy began to scream again. And the lieutenant acted like a wild man. He took out his cigarette case, but there were no cigarettes in it, and then he swore and put it back again. But in a few min-

I used to think all the Germans were big and fat and strong, and, of course, some of the grenadier regiments are, but lots of the Boches I saw were little and weak like this fellow I "got" in my first charge.

It was a good piece of work to take the prisoners and a novelty for me to look them in the face—the fellows I had been fighting. Because, when you look a Hun in the face, you can see the yellow streak. Even if you are their prisoner you can tell that the Huns are yellow.

Maybe you have heard pigs being butchered. It sounded like that when we got to them. When they attacked us they yelled to beat the band. I guess they thought they could scare us. But you cannot scare machine guns nor the foreign legion either. So when they could not scare us they were up against it and had to fight.

I will admit, though, that the first time Fritz came over and began yelling I thought the whole German army was after me, at that, and Kaiser Bill playing the drum. And how they hate a bayonet! They would much rather sit in a ditch and peep at you.

I admit I am not a hero about bayonet fighting myself. I have never had a general proposition, but I have seen them have

we tried to keep up his jokes and say the same things and so forth. But they did not go very well after he was dead. He got his in the same charge in which the chaplain was wounded. He was one of the bunch that charged before the order was given, when the chaplain got it, and was running pretty near me until we got to the Boche wire. I had to stop to get through, though most of it was cut up by artillery fire, but he must have jumped it, for when I looked up he was twenty or thirty paces ahead of me. We got to the Germans about that time and I was pretty busy for a while. But soon I saw him again. He was pulling his bayonet out of a Boche when another made a jab at him and stuck him in the arm. Then the Boche made a swing at him with his rifle, but the Swiss dropped on one knee and dodged it. He kept defending himself with his rifle, but there was another German on him by this time and he could not get up. The corporal of our squad came up just about that time, but he was too late, because one of the Boches got to the Swiss with his bayonet. He did not have time to withdraw it before our corporal stuck him. The other German made a pass at the corporal, but he was too late. The corporal beat him to it and felled him with a terrific blow from his rifle butt. The Huns were pretty thick around there just as another fellow and myself came up. A Boche swung his rifle at the corporal and when he dodged it the Boche almost got me. The swing took him off his feet and then the corporal did as pretty a bit of work as I ever saw. He jumped for the Boche, who had fallen, landed on his face with both feet and gave it to the next one with his bayonet all at the same time. He was the quickest man I ever saw.

There were a couple of well-known savate men in the next company and I saw one of them get under Fritz's guard with his feet and, believe me,

of the Legion charged with rifle and bayonet like their men. Then—Boom! Bang!—and the mines went off. "Alics!" and then a parapet was filled with bayonet and men scrambling and crawling, falling and getting up again. The Boche drifted back on us, and then our machine guns began ahead of us.

Up toward the front the bombers were fishing in their traps and throwing, just like boys, a rat along the docks. The black smoke from the "Jack Johnsons" rolled over us and probably there was a lot of it, but you could not tell.

The front lines had taken their trenches and some of you could see them, when you looked on a parapet, running about the enemy communication trenches, bombing out dugouts, burning prisoners—very scary-looking in their masks and goggles. The wounded were coming back with us. Then we got busy with our work in the dugouts and communication trenches and fire bays, with bayonets and bombs, digging the Boches out, sending them "west." And every day in a while a Fritz on one side would step out and yell "Kamerad," which like as not, on the other side, his rifle would pot you with a revolver when you started to pick him up, thinking he was wounded.

Then we stood aside the entrance to a dugout and saw Boches come out in single file, shouting "Kamerad"



## TWO SUBMARINES ARE SUNK IN ATTACK ON LEVIATHAN

### Germans Fail in Raid on Greatest United States Transport.

### CARRIES 10,000 SOLDIERS

#### Eye Witness Gives Thrilling Account of Trip Across Atlantic—High Praise for Work of American Navy—Men on Transport Behave Splendidly in Time of Danger.

Durand, Mich.—An eye-witness account of an attack by three submarines on the United States transport Leviathan and the destruction of two of the U-boats by United States destroyers, is contained in a letter from Capt. Charles A. Harmon of this city to his son, Sergt. Carl A. Harmon, at Camp Custer. The Leviathan, formerly the German Vaterland, is the largest vessel afloat and was seized by the United States when this country entered the war.

Captain Harmon is in the motor mechanics division of the aviation corps, now safely in France, while his son is a member of the ambulance company.

The Leviathan carried 10,000 soldiers on that particular trip and every precaution of camouflage and signal navigation was employed to protect it from the submarines, since the German government is said to have offered a fortune and great honors to the commander and crew of the U-boat that succeeds in sinking it.

All Obey Orders.  
"Most of the men aboard were raw recruits," says Captain Harmon, "but when the emergency came the constant drill and training told and not a man disobeyed orders. Twenty hours from our destination, at daylight, we picked up the destroyers in a howling gale. They came swooping at us out of a rain squall like flying fish. Boy! They looked good. They are little, long, intricate devils all engine and wickedness. We were tearing along at high speed, trying to look out to the west-

"It was over in less time than it takes to tell it. At the same time the next nearest destroyer was perhaps 100 yards away, spinning around in a tight little circle and dropping depth bombs as fast as it could spill them over the stern. Presently a great oily blob of water rolled from the destroyer curved away from the ship and went over to the first U-boat, so that it was doing. The rest of them had apparently gone plumb crazy, they were simply whipping the gray surface of the sea to white ribbons.

Living Wall formed.

"A big flock of English gunboats and destroyers came up from nowhere in particular and moved along ahead of us and on our flanks. We reduced our speed to theirs and our own flock of wasps came up and formed a living wall around us and we moved along to where an hour later an English pilot was picked up who took us through the mine fields and into port.

"We learned then from the commander of the destroyer fleet, who came aboard us, that there had been three subs' waiting for us. They had fired three torpedoes at short range, but just as the traces started we had been signaled to turn sharp and beat it. We did. The torpedoes skimmed our sides. Two of the submarines went to Davy Jones' locker and they kind of felt that the other one was smothered the same afternoon."

## RUMOR IS INTERNED FOR THE DURATION OF WAR

### Chronic Gossipers in Wall Street Are Put Under Ban by Exchange Officials.

### UNPRECEDENTED IN STREET

While Not Completely True, Rumor Is Told

## \*\*\*\*\* GIRLS AS CARPENTERS \*\*\*\*\*

Cleveland.—Manual training is not for boys only, and domestic science is not only a girl's study in Cleveland schools now, for the courses in some of the public schools have been switched and the boys are being taught to cook and buy groceries and the girls are getting training in household carpentry. The girls are said to be proficient in handling tools, while many of the boys in the "bringing up father" divisions are becoming good cooks and bakers.

## \*\*\*\*\* GIRLS AS SHEEP HERDERS \*\*\*\*\*

### Loneliest Job in the World Is Latest Industry to Attract the Women.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—Hending sheep—the loneliest job in the world—is the latest industry to attract women. Wyoming ranchers have given so many men to the war that sheepherders are very scarce. Hence Misses Lulu Munson, Belle Pattison and Grace Keenan, Campbell county lassies, have become sheep-herdresses at a wage of \$50 a month and "found." They have been employed by B. J. Reno, and each girl acts as guardian to 2,500 "woolies." These girls are said to be the first feminine sheepherders in the United States.

to rumors set afloat that the government intended to fix the price of cotton. The effort being made to spread the news is now being done before the public. It is a desperate attempt to prevent the price of cotton from falling. The German government has been accused of this. The price of cotton is now at a high level.



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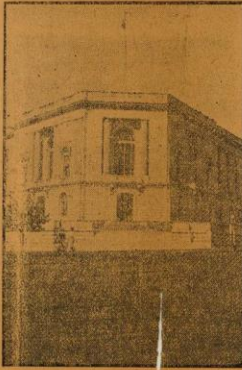
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### Alma News Makes Initial Appearance

Here you behold a newborn child in the journalistic world. Although born in the midst of war activities, we do not believe that it can rightfully be called a "war baby" for you can readily see that it is quite husky and indeed already is able to speak for itself.

We have the pleasure of presenting to you, free of charge, the initial copies of this new publication, not necessarily as a sample, because we do not feel that this is a fair representation of what we earnestly hope to be able to produce in the not far distant future. Our only purpose in giving you these copies is to show you that we believe Alma can give a paper and further, that we are sincere in our efforts to make this the largest news-



Senate Office Building where the draft lottery to call out 744,500 new fighting men took place June 27, 1918.

### SNAP SHOTS

The latch-strings are always out for you at the news office. When in Alma come and see us. During the course of your remarks slip the manager a dollar for one year's subscription. Don't forget to leave a few news items either.

This is the first issue of Alma's newspaper. Send us a word of cheer and encouragement, and for any little mistake we might have made, please don't give us a life sentence, but bring us under pardoning grace that good will and peace may abound.

Just keep it in your head and let it out where it will do the most good that Alma is one of the liveliest business towns in this section of Marion County, because our business men are alive and responsive to the best interests of their trade territory. This is an age of hustle and there is no more growing around the main street of this burg, and don't you forget it.

This is not a "charity sermon" but an announcement that several hundred copies of this issue of Alma News is being distributed to the people who are interested in the progress of our county.

### Letters From The Soldiers

Camp Taylor, Louisiville, Ky  
June 28, 1918.

Friend Marshall:  
Well "old timer", how is everything in Alma? I am fine and dandy and like army life fine. This is Sunday and we get off today and you can believe me, we soldiers are having a fine time. I have just returned from dinner. That is one call I never miss. We sure had some dinner too, believe me. Among other things we had ice cream and by that I mean we had lots of ice cream. We also had bananas and oranges. We will have to remain in the barracks for a while this afternoon to sign the payroll and after that Bill Walsh Joe Arnold and myself are going to the Y. M. C. A. Say Mac you want to boost the Y. M. C. A. in your paper. We had a great trip coming down here and were treated fine everywhere. Kentucky is a great state and I like it, but we won't be here over four weeks; just long enough for our exams. I have written to several Marion County people but none have answered yet. You know how good a letter from home looks to a soldier-

I had a shot in the arm and it is taking. You can tell the world I am going over, as I passed the "over sea exam" like a real one. Well Mac send me that paper and if any body wants to do a good thing for the Marion County boys they can send the News once in a while.

James E. Campbell,  
2nd. Co 1st. Tr. C. 159 Depot  
Brigade.

June, 14, 1918.

Dear Mother:

I am well and enjoying myself. We have not heard from you since we left New York. It has not hardly had time to reach us. We are having cooler weather here than we had in Texas. It is raining just a little here now.

I certainly was seasick when we came across. The sea was rough and all the way and it

### The Coming Institute

The business meeting of Alma met on Monday, June 4, for the purpose of electing officers for the Farmers Institute which is to be held here September 13, 14 and 15. To the following men were intrusted the business affairs of the institute: Pres., Dr. W. P. McCleod; Vice Pres., John Mazanek; Secy., Mrs. J. L. Laswell; Treas., Wm Saunders.

There is no other event of this kind to be held in our county this year and if the Fair which Alma held last year is to be taken as a measure of the success of this new undertaking, then the institute should prove to be the greatest event in the history of Alma and with the characteristic energy displayed by the boosters of such affairs, it should also be a big event for the county.

### The New Cider Mill

The Mid West Pduet Co. of Chicago are building a very large and substantial building here on the east side of the C. railroad near the switch, so that they may load and unload from the factory to the cars. They are installing a cider mill and no doubt other enterprises in connection. They do not expect to complete the building operations until late in the fall. A large force of men is at work daily under the management of H. E. Lrens. There will be over two hundred windows in the building when completed. This is another big boom for Alma and when the factory is well under operation it will give employment to ten the year around. The Mid West expect to make Alma their headquarters.

### Store Robbed.

Alma seems to have been marked out for special attention from the night prowling gery, judging from the frequent visits from such characters. The latest victim was John Malek whose store was entered during the night of July 1. The boys consisted of about one hundred men of small

# "If you ever get out--for God's Sake TELL!"

"Albert," he said, "if you have the God-given luck to get out of Germany---not for my sake, but for the sake of us who are here in this hell hole---promise me you will tell all the people wherever you go what they are doing to us here. Tell them not to send money, for we can't eat money, and not meat---just bread, bread, bread"---

## Well, Gunner Depew Has Told

His story now appearing in The Alma News is the most vivid picture of German brutality ever penned. If you have any doubt in the world as to why America is in this war against Germany, why the whole world is in arms against this one great monster nation, that doubt can be dispelled after you

and initiative. We have felt there fore that Alma merits just such a recognition as a newspaper may well bring.

We believe that we are initiating this enterprise by consent of those who best represent the progressive ideas of the community. While we fully realize that a failure on our part would forever doom us in the commercial field of Alma, we as fully believe that it would be equally as disastrous to the very enviable reputation for doing things, that Alma now enjoys in this part of the county, for the people here must certainly realize that, although we are directly responsible for such a business policy of the paper as shall mean its success or failure financially, the community at large is responsible for the measure of support and aid that shall be extended. Therefore we urge that everyone feel it their paper and contribute freely to the news columns. Your moral support through a boost wherever you can will go a long way. Remember you can't boost the News without boosting Alma and the same is true for the knocker.

We write and shall appreciate any suggestion that you may have from time to time, of any changes that might be made to make this paper better able to accomplish the prime object for which it was brought into the world.

Read this first issue carefully

With the enthusiasm, industry and talent that backs this enterprise, the future numbers ought to be received with pride and pleasure. We hope to make the News a newspaper in the fullest sense of the word and hope that our friends who are receiving this sample will "ally around the standard" and hurry in your subscription. Please don't wait for us to see you personally, as we like yourself, are very busy. Our subscription price is so low that no family should be without this paper. Fill out the subscription blank on another page right now, and hurry in your subscription, for we are not able to send the paper free—wish we could.

Mrs. Burdette Basin left Tuesday for a few weeks visit with her husband who is stationed in camp in Ja.

and if you like it tell others about it and if by any chance you should not like it then come and tell us lest we make the same mistakes again. Of course we realize that if you do like it you will at once call upon the manager, Col. J. M. McCarty, and assure yourself of getting the paper every week for a year. A local office has already been established and we trust you will take all your printing needs to him and we can assure you prompt attention on our part.

The Editors.

### NEWS IS WELCOMED

"We welcome the publication of The Alma News and congratulate the promoters in this progressive move to get Alma in the limelight and furnishing this means of letting the people know that we have one of the best towns on the map.

Let's all boost and make this project a success."  
**T. E. MAULDING.**

was a good thing for me, for I was sick two thirds of the time. It was the worst sickness I ever had. A fellow doesn't care if the ship should go down, I believe I lost fifteen pounds during that illness.

We were on board Memorial Day and had a sermon by one of our Y. M. C. A. men and a little talk by our seaman.

I am in England. The houses are made of brick and all just about alike. The trains are much smaller than ours. The coal cars are about the size of our wagons and the stock cars will hold four or five cows but I don't believe the English could get one of their big horses in a car. The passenger cars have doors in the sides and the seats are run crosswise. Two of the seats are facing to each other, with a wall between each pair of seats. There is just about room for eight persons in a room. After the train starts you have to sit down and be contented for you can't move around like in our cars.

We will not get mail very often so I want you to write long letters and tell me all the news for every thing is of interest to us.

Charles McCarty  
C Battery 21st F. A.  
American Expeditionary Forces

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amount of cutlery Entrance was gained a small warehouse and stored on the south. I found here the door was broken down. As usual no trace was put down as a comp. te one.

### Fire Destroy Home.

The home of Wm B. Home, three miles south-east of Arret, was completely destroyed by fire on the evening of July 1. The family had gone to Kin. The family therefore can assign no cause. James Candia, a neighbor, was the first to discover the fire but the flames had gained such head way that but little could be done towards saving the structure or contents.

### Joins the Reserves.

George Kyle of Centralia, formerly of this place has enlisted in the U. S. Reserves and expects to be called soon. Mr. Kyle served in the Spanish American War and this experience should be a valuable aid to him. His many friends here wish him well in his new work.

### Two Troop Trains.

Two troop trains passed thru south. They were carrying a large contingent of troops to training camps from the North to train in the South. All the boys seemed to be in good spirits and to say the least they were a husky bunch.

### Large Apple Crop

The fruit growers of this vicinity report a large apple crop in orchards that have been sprayed and cared for. No account of the severe frosts on account of the severe winter, and only a small pear crop in the apple orchard and without it we can not expect good results.

### Called to Streator.

Luther Williams was recently called to Streator by the draft board of that place. He departed thence with a draft contingent and is now in training.

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in four detestable German prison camps.

"AND WHEN I LOOKED AROUND," said Gunner Depew, "all the men were sitting on their beds crying and tearing their hair and saying 'bread, bread, bread' over and over again."

GUUNER DEPEW HAS SEEN GERMANY---not only across "No Man's Land" but from the other side, from the inside out.

HE WAS WOUNDED FIVE TIMES and lost the sight of one eye, was a prisoner on the fateful ship, Yarrowdale, a sufferer in four prison camps, including Brandenburg, the worst of all, the "HELL HOLE OF GERMANY." He fought with the Foreign Legion in Flanders, and against the Turks in Gallipoli, and was awarded the famous Croix de Guerre. Few men have seen the war from so many angles. No one has yet told the truth so truthfully of what American boys are going to get if Germany takes them prisoners.

Read This Wonderful Story Now  
Appearing Exclusively in

# The Alma News



George Logan

Frank Doder  
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Misses Zelma Vallow, Pansy  
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Edna Haley of Kimmundy were  
motoring here Tuesday evening.

A. J. Henderson, of Champaign  
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Winifred Welton and John Wil-  
son spent Saturday evening in  
Champaign.

J. J. Day and wife and Mrs.  
Virginia Gammon spent Thursday  
in Kimmundy.

Mabin Spittler, of Brucaker,  
was a social caller here Sunday.

John Mazanek was a business  
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Miss Anna Salem visited a few  
days in Kimmundy.

Miss Anna, sister of Centralia  
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mundy reservoir Sunday and spent the  
day outing.

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a visit to Griggsville with homefolks.

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**R. E. Walters**  
ALMA, ILL.

chap. American Red Cross,  
issued a long yesterday against  
the indiscriminate practice of using  
the name "Red Cross" and the Red  
Cross emblem in giving benefits,  
bazaars, and other entertainments  
without the sanction of the Chicago  
chapter authorities.

His statement follows:  
"The attention of the public is  
again invited to the fact that licenses  
are required for the giving of Red  
Cross benefits. It is therefore unlaw-  
ful for any person or organization to  
use the name of the Red Cross will re-  
ceive a share in the proceeds of any  
picture, bazaar, game, party, or other  
form of entertainment without first  
procuring from the chapter the re-  
quired licence. It is the policy of the  
chapter to rely for the support of its  
work, solely on voluntary contribu-  
tions, and, except during the week of  
the war fund drive, license will not be  
issued for any benefit entertainments  
aside from those of county-wide im-  
port recommended by national head-  
quarters.

"Under no circumstances may tickets  
be issued carrying either the Red  
Cross name or the Red Cross emblem,  
and the public is asked to report  
promptly the offering of any such  
tickets.

"No Red Cross branch, auxiliary, or  
department has authority to sanction  
or to accept the proceeds of any ben-  
efit.

"In cooperation with the State  
Council of Defense the Red Cross will  
insist on a strict enforcement of this  
ruling, to the end that the community  
which has subscribed so liberally to the  
war fund, may not be harassed by fur-  
ther solicitation to patronize so-called  
Red Cross benefits.

"By order of the executive commit-  
tee of the Chicago chapter, American  
Red Cross,  
"Marquie Eaton, Chairman"

One week ago tonight it was  
my good fortune to sit in B. F.  
Keith's theater in Washington, D. C.,  
not twenty feet from the Presi-  
dent and Mrs. Wilson. For more  
than two hours I studied, at  
intervals, the face and expression  
of Mr. Wilson. Mrs. Wilson sat  
knitting, yes ladies, knitting  
cheerily by his side all through  
the play. The President turned  
to her from time to time and  
chatted congenially. Now and  
then he laughed heartily, and at  
times his face was wreathed in  
smiles at some whim of the  
actors, but over all on his brow  
there seemed to hang a heavy  
shadow that time and again  
deepened into reflective thought.  
My friends, your president is  
anxious about you. He is doing  
all in his power to bring about the  
earliest successful conclusion of

you because I believe the Monroe  
Doctrine has as important a role  
to play in the present war as any  
other document in American  
history. "Any act upon the part  
of any European country to  
colonize any portion of the West-  
ern hemisphere shall be consid-  
ered an act unfriendly to the United  
States." In other words, "hands  
off America," that's what it  
says!

Andrew Jackson carried out  
the Monroe Doctrine to the letter  
when he sent a United States  
Representative to the Panama  
Congress in 1826 with explicit in-  
structions to give no government  
support to the proposal of an  
alliance with European countries  
for the construction of the  
Panama Canal. And so, my  
friends, nothing more was done  
toward the actual construction of  
the Panama Canal until the  
United States was in a position to  
begin its construction during  
the administration of President  
Grover Cleveland.

Abraham Lincoln, that great  
majestic figure of the Civil War,  
whose name shall forever be  
revered, put forth the contin-  
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EDITORIAL

A dollar in the war chest is 100 per cent efficient.

Make a pig. The pen is mightier than the sword!

It is better to bottle up all criticism until the war is over.

It is better to buy Thrift stamps than to pay a dog tax.

Go the whole if it is safer to tip the gambler than to knock him.

This is a great war for the manufacture of celluloid buttons.

In the garden should be torn without leaving a trace.

Aerial mail carriers will have little time to read souvenir postcards.

Yes, we suppose the slacker may be described as the real yellow peril.

The only limit on the size of our army will be "enough and then some."

What the German people want is not a supersubmarine, but a supersausage.

It appears that much has been done to make the world safe for soft colic.

Education often enables us to get a mortgage on the other fellow's character.

The prudent and patriotic man may be hawkeye by the thrift garden he keeps.

There is nearly always enough change left out of a dollar to buy a Thrift stamp.

And the world moves on much the same as though we had not turned our clocks ahead.

The vegetables are reported as doing extraordinarily well, and the early weeds even better than that.

The kaiser's supersubmarine looks like another expensive toy for the amusement of the six sons.

Fellows who bank on the future should be careful and keep the check book stubs balanced properly.

No level shipyard worker requires an extension of the 8-hour day in order to give him time to drive a rivet.

NEWS OF ILLINOIS

Springfield.—Illinois hospitals proposed for the rehabilitation of wounded soldiers and re-education of the government according to the question is whether it is to have one hospital in Chicago or in some less congested district. Chief of the reconstruction service at Washington, D. C., represented as doubting the advisability of setting up a site where convalescing soldiers might have the best opportunity to live in the open. Offers of money have been made by the state of Illinois to share in the expense of erecting, however, that it is not the present plan of the government to erect a permanent building for the state war hospital upon a site in the city of Springfield.

Springfield.—The advance crop report issued by the state department of agriculture. Winter wheat is 94 per cent, or an increase of 27 points over last year. Winter wheat is reported normal in northern Illinois, 94 per cent in central Illinois, and 82 per cent in southern Illinois. In an area south of the normal, the stand of corn is exceptionally good considering the inferior quality of seed. The crop is 94 per cent of normal and rye is 96 per cent of normal.

Springfield.—The Lincoln centennial half dollar of the United States government for the centennial celebration of Illinois into existence. There will be 100,000 of these half dollar coins. The people of Springfield, Washington, D. C., to the centennial celebration of the state of Illinois—triumph. These details were agreed upon by the officials of the United States Mint and Hon. Hugh B. Magill, Jr., director general of the Illinois centennial celebration.

Chicago.—Returns from the registration of emergency labor in Illinois indicate that 50,000 men are in the labor force. The state council of defense has ordered that men are in their respective places.

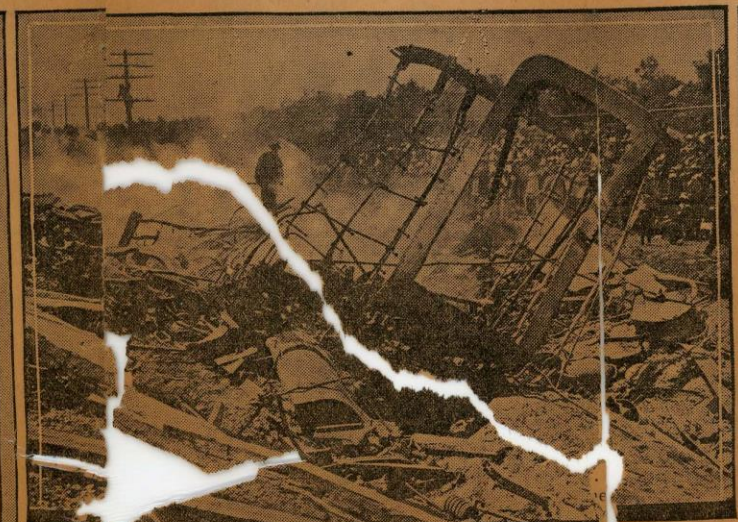
Springfield.—If the report of Special Master in Chancery Thomas F. Ferns is sustained there will be returned to the state of Illinois \$27,761.45, held to have been illegally expended during the session of the Forty-ninth general assembly. The report is made in the cases, instituted by Fayette S. Monro, assailing irregular legislative expenditures. The findings are against former Lieut. Gov. Barrett O'Hara, former Auditor James J. Brady, former Treasurer and present Auditor Andrew J. Russell and former Secretary of State Lewis G. Stevenson. O'Hara is held to be liable for \$13,631.52; Brady and Russell, \$12,552.67; Stevenson, \$1,577.26; O'Hara is held jointly liable with the auditor and treasurer for excess expenditures on the senate payroll amounting to \$3,450. In the list of expenditures condemned by Judge Ferns, the item of \$10,000 for expenses of the O'Hara "vice commission" is the most formidable. The senate record shows that this money was paid out under a resolution introduced by Senator Edward Curtis, but the master holds that Senator Curtis offered no such resolution.

Springfield.—Registration of Illinois physicians for war work has commenced. Almost every county in the state is engaged in the work. It is being conducted by the county medical societies. Registration signifies willingness to enlist in the Medical Reserve Corps. If an applicant is rejected for the former he is taken in the latter. Commissions are awarded in both corps. In the medical officers' reserve successful candidates are sent to army camps or to the front, while in the volunteer corps they remain at home and perform communal service. The latter means the treatment of sick will be confined to sections in districts of state. The "family physician" will be a thing of the past. Instead, a central institution will house the medicals who will be assigned to cases by institution directors. This mobilization of physicians has become necessary, medical authorities here say, on account of the growing scarcity of doctors through enlistment in the military arms of the nation.

Chicago.—More than 175,000 Illinois citizens will be deprived of their opportunity of voting at the fall elections unless there is a hurry-up special session of the general assembly to enact a law that will take care of the peculiar emergency that has arisen. The class that now stands disfranchised includes all the men between twenty-one and thirty-one who have gone to the colors through the draft, as well as the men of the National Guard regiments who went to Texas nearly a year ago and who are now in France and the thousands of volunteers in the regular army, the navy, and the marines. The crisis is precipitated by the order issued by the war department authorizing soldiers in France and in the National army cantonments to vote, wherever the home states of soldiers have local election laws that prescribe a method of voting. Illinois has no such law.

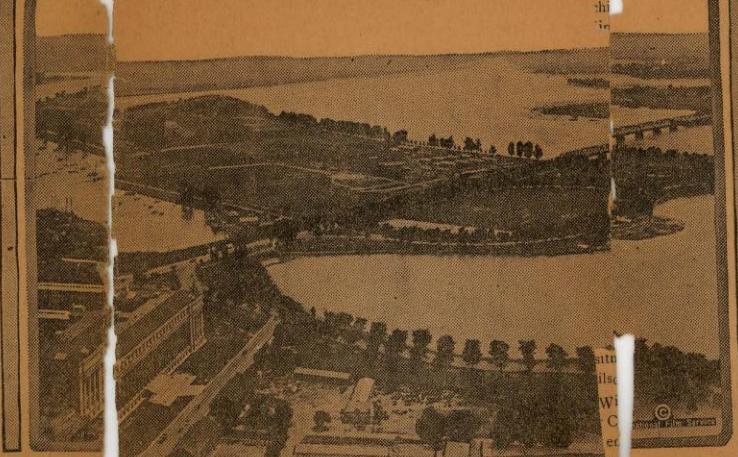
Champaign.—Competition in the str-

WRECK OF CIRCUS TRAIN AT GARY, IND., WHICH COST MANY LIVES



This photograph was taken soon after the terrible railway wreck at Gary, Ind., in which 72 men, women and children came through the cars.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF WASHINGTON IN WAR TIME



Since the entrance of this country into the world war, the capital is a greatly enlarged city. The influx of thousands of government employees who have taken up their abode in Washington means that many new buildings have been built in addition to what already were in existence. This view, from the Potomac, shows Potomac park, the aviation field and the bridge leading to the city.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR JULY 14

READING GOD'S WORD.

LESSON TEXT—Psalms 19:7-11; Acts 8:25-28.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32.  
ADDITIONAL MATERIAL FOR TEACHERS—Psalms 37:31; 119:9-16; Proverbs 13:12; Isaiah 55:3-11; John 5:23-46-47; Romans 13:4.  
DEVOTIONAL READING—Psalms 119:1-16, 97-105.

1. Characteristics of God's Word (Ps. 19:7-11).  
The Psalmist here sets forth six descriptive titles of God's Word, six outstanding qualities, and six resultant effects.

FIRST GROUP—

1. Title: "The Light" (v. 7).  
By this is meant the principles which God reveals to the conscience are binding upon the conscience and are everywhere discernible in the Bible.

2. Quality: "Perfect" (v. 7).  
It is free from omissions and redundancies. Being perfect, there should be no adding to or taking away from. To do so is most perilous (Rev. 22:18, 19). It is perfect as a moral code, and it perfectly accomplishes man's salvation.

3. Effect: "Converting the Soul" (v. 7).  
Convert means to restore. Man is continually wandering away from God. The practical effect of the law of God is to turn men to God himself, righteousness and holiness. The mighty and only instrument used in the salvation of souls is the Word of God. It is quick and powerful (Heb. 4:12). It restores our backslidings also. The daily study of it is necessary.

SECOND GROUP—

1. Title: "The Testimony of the Lord" (v. 7).  
It is the witness which God bears as to his attributes, and against man's sins.

2. Quality: "Sure" (v. 7).  
It is plain and infallible. We can repose in it our interests for time and eternity. In a world of doubt and uncertainty, it is a blessed thing to have that which is sure to rest upon.

3. Effect: "Making Wise the Simple" (v. 7).  
The simple are those who have humble, open and teachable minds. Things which are hidden from the wise and prudent are revealed unto babes. How true it is that those who with open minds feed upon the Word of God are fortified against the devices of the devil which sweep the worldly-wise from their feet.

It is predicted that eggs will sell for \$1 a dozen next winter. But they won't unless you can't do without them.

As a general rule, sneezing amuses some until he passes thirty, and after some has passed fifty it makes him cuss.

Sometimes or other breaking records in driving rivets arouses more enthusiasm than the box scores these days.

The sin of Sunday fishing is appreciably mitigated where the fisherman doesn't be inordinately about the fish he didn't catch.

Remember what last year's war garden did to the potato shortage, and the sure to have another and better one this season.

When a Missouri mule, now doing duty as a kicker over there, requires to be shown he should be shown at once. Safety first!

Pictures of starving children in Germany never go so far as to represent the Kaiser's six sons as other than strong and healthy.

Paraphrasing an old practice sentence used by all students of the typewriter: "Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country."

"Russians Sell Out to the Germans," according to a headline. The transaction probably is something like the sell-out of the wayfarer to the hold-up man on a lonely street.

In time we shall be educated to the beauty of preventive medicine, but just now it would of perfectly good family doctor of business.

Whoever originated the expression about business before pleasure must have been "wise" to the fact that good that fiddles" worms are the reward of a business session with the war garden.

Upper berths in sleeping cars are to be used more than formerly. The government ought at least to put in sky signs so that the moonlit scenery can be enjoyed by passengers who are unable to lose consciousness.

A really expert propagandist always finds some point of American patriotism on which he can dwell with emphasis in order to allay suspicion.

There be many emotions in human experience that warm the heart of man, but few like unto that born of the wisdom of his cabbage starting to grow.

You know that summer vacation that some have been thinking about? Well, just put it in the war chest where it will do the greatest good to the greatest number.

Calling a spade a spade is not enough now. We must refer to it as a patriotic weapon.

There can be no culture and no knowledge that is founded on anything less than truth.

Hubbard was organized to keep offices open until late into the night. This netted 2,500 men.

Springfield.—With the increasing need for men to form a great army of democracy, fewer registrants are being rejected for physical defects, figures in the office of Adjutant General Dickson show. Allments formerly considered grounds for disqualification now fall to keep a man in civil life. No less care is being exercised by medical advisory boards and local boards to determine physical qualifications and defects, but adjustment of the war machinery has been completed by the war department to utilize men physically deficient or to correct their defects. New standards of physical examination have come to Adjutant General Dickson and are being sent to all local boards in Illinois.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels announced that orders had been given for the immediate construction of barracks at the Great Lakes naval training station to accommodate 12,000 additional men. The extension plan, the secretary said, contemplates facilities for training at the Great Lakes station 40,000 men during summer months and from 20,000 to 25,000 during the winter. Building the barracks and the enlargement of the Great Lakes plant will approximate \$4,000,000.

Rockford.—Gov. Frank O. Lowden, Illinois and Gov. E. L. Philipp, Wisconsin and Maj. Gen. Charles R. Marlin are expected to be principal speakers at dedication of the Red Cross building at Camp Grant. Many articles of dedication will be set soon. Many articles of dedication were made by pupils of manual training department of public schools of Rockford and other cities.

Chicago.—Hotels and restaurants have put into effect rigid restrictions on the consumption of beef and sugar in compliance with the order of the United States food administration. Roast beef, hot or cold, will be served only at Monday midday meals; stewed, boiled beef or beef hash will be served only on Wednesday or Saturday at the noonday meal; steaks in any form will be served on Thursday at midday meal and on Sunday. Tuesday and Friday no beef will be served. Three pounds of sugar per month for each person will be served.

Camp Wheeler, Macon, Ga.—Seven thousand men from 30 Illinois towns have been pouring into Camp Wheeler to join the Dixie division and the 5,000 men from Chicago who arrived here a month ago. There are now more soldiers from Illinois in this division than from any other state. The first trainload of men arrived from Kankakee. The second trainload came from Lincoln. The third train carried men from Bloomington and adjoining towns. Each train was met by Y. M. C. A. men, who presented the selected men with all the Gorgie peaches they could eat.

Illinois annual live stock judging contest, held at the University of Illinois, May 9, was seen although the number of entries showed a decrease from last year's. The contest covered the judging of beef cattle, sheep, swine and dairy cattle. Winners in the various classes were given gold watches, and gold fobs were awarded the winners of the sweepstakes class. Following is the list of winners: Beef cattle, Edwin Bay, first, Aledo; Lester A. Rahm, second, Lanark; horses, W. B. Bunn, first, Olney; T. O. Copps, second, Green Valley; Sheep, D. E. Creighton, first, Phoenix, Ariz.; W. E. Elchorn, second, Hound City; swine, R. A. Gale, first, Lincoln; T. B. Manny, second, Chicago; dairy cattle, A. B. Lang, first, Urbana; W. B. Bunn, second, Olney.

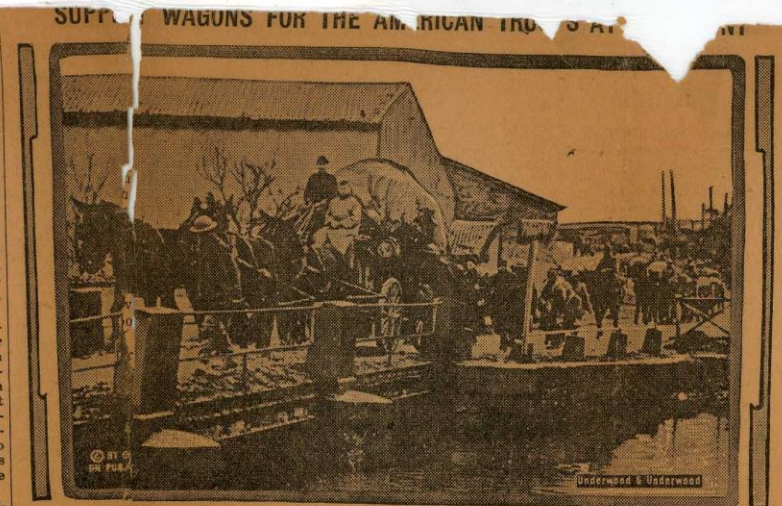
Springfield.—Women workers supplementing men who have gone to war should not work for less than the men received. And the education of children should not be retarded by such work. This is the gist of a report compiled by the state council of defense committee on women and children in industry, who met in Chicago a few days ago. The report outlines the activities of the committee for the summer months.

Washington, D. C.—White and colored draft registrants numbering 124,525 were summoned to the colors for general military service in a call issued by Provost Marshal General Crowder. Mobilization will take place at intervals during the month of July, starting with the entrainment of 27,257 white selected men on July 3. There was no call for Illinois soldiers in the new summons.

Champaign.—Inspired by the overwhelming demand for trained men in war as well as in peace, the University of Illinois is conducting a state-wide campaign to induce high school graduates to continue their education. The college of engineering at the university, whose graduates are able to serve their country in such a special and competent manner, is taking special interest in the movement.

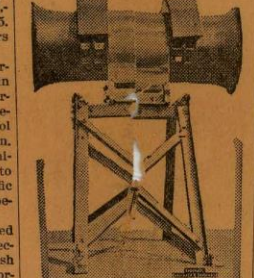
Springfield.—Under an act passed by the last general assembly, the secretary of state is required to furnish the attorney general with a list of corporations which are no longer transacting business, and the latter shall send the names of these corporations to the state's attorneys of the various counties to begin proceedings in the courts to annul their charters. The names of about 40,000 corporations which have failed to report to the secretary of state have been furnished by Secretary of State Emmerson to Attorney General Brundage, who is sending them to the state's attorneys.

Champaign.—A campaign for home improvement has been undertaken by the extension division of the department of home economics at the University of Illinois. The United States department of agriculture, through its war emergency fund, and the food administration, are co-operating in this activity. Experts in home economics will be employed to teach housewives the conservation of food, health, child life and clothing, which are closely related. The project is backed by the government, which gives dollar for dollar up to \$1,500 to each county that establishes a permanent association.



Train of supply wagons moving through a French village and over a low bridge on the way to the troops at the front.

### GOTHAM AIR RAID SIREN



Sirens like the one shown in this picture will be put on all the tall buildings of New York city by the police department against possible aerial attack by the Germans. Perhaps the city adopt the Paris method of warning of sending out fire engines equipped with sirens. This siren can be heard in a radius of two miles.

**Quality Thanks for Much.**  
Try to be nice. It not only well pays one this part, but it assuredly makes her those with whom we come in contact. Life at best is none too strenuous. Then why magnify life's annoyances by giving way to seable or selfish whims?

**What Routed.**  
Miss Yellow's woman's age doesn't really matter. Miss Caustique said: "No; the time counts is how long she has been a life."

### BATTERY IN ACTION AT XIVRAY



A battery of French 75's resisting the German attack at the village of XIVray, where the Americans so bravely drove back the Huns not long ago.

**Child's Idea.**  
A little miss was watching the circus parade, and when the calliope came along tooting away and with steam ascending, she said: "Oh, mamma, hear the boomed music."—Boston Transcript.

**The Trouble She Had.**  
Mrs. A.—"Are you troubled much in your neighborhood with borrowing?" Mrs. B.—"Yes, a good deal. My neighbors never seem to have anything I want."—Boston Transcript.

**Begins With the Individual.**  
To reform a world, to reform a nation, no wise man will undertake; and all but foolish men know that the only solid, though a far slower reformation, is what each begins and perfects on himself.—T. Carlyle.

**Peacocks in the Bible.**  
Among the natural products of the land of Tarshish which Solomon's fleet brought to Jerusalem, mention is made of peacocks (I Kings, 10:22 and II Chronicles, 9:21).

THIRD GROUP—  
1. Title: "The Word of God" (v. 8).  
These are the principles of which the Lord us to rightly per the different re obligatory upon 2. Quality: "Righteousness" (v. 8).  
They are from who knows our stances. They are equitable.  
3. Effect: "Rejoice" (v. 8).  
The Word of God makes happy. The disciples of God's Word to exult. The true justice and equity in the weak is defended and the oppressor is rebuked.

FOURTH GROUP—  
1. Title: "The Commandment of the Lord" (v. 8).  
This brings into view the personal God who stands back of his law to enforce its demands—to require obedience to its precepts.  
2. Quality: "Pure" (v. 8).  
It is free from deceit and error. On every page is the evidence of straight-forward sincerity. No sinister motives demand made upon man is felt. Every demand made upon man is felt in his own heart.  
3. Effect: "Enlightening the Eyes" (v. 8).  
The effect of God's law is to give man ability, not only to understand his love and salvation, but to give man the things about him.

FIFTH GROUP—  
1. Title: "The Fear of the Lord" (v. 9).  
Reading the Word of God produces reverential fear in the heart of the reader.  
2. Quality: "Enduring" (v. 9).  
It is not a passing emotion, but sanctifies the heart and receives it.  
3. Effect: "Enduring Forever" (v. 9).  
The life and relationship founded upon his law abide forever.

SIXTH GROUP—  
1. Title: "The Judgments of the Lord" (v. 9).  
By this is meant the sentences pronounced by God's Word.  
2. Quality: "True and Righteous" (v. 9).  
The penalties prescribed by God are true, conformable to the intuitive moral sense of man.  
3. Effect: "Serve as Warnings and Bring Reward" (v. 11).  
If the warnings be heeded, shipwrecks upon life's sea will be prevented. Besides God pays a wage for obedience to his laws. Godliness is profitable unto all, having the promise of the life that now is, and that which is to come.

II. A Notable Example of Bible Study (Acts 8:26-39).  
1. Who It Was (v. 27).  
The Ethiopian eunuch, a man of great authority. He was the secretary of the treasury of the Ethiopian queen. The wisest and best men and women of the earth have been reverent students of the Bible and have testified to its beauty and power.  
2. The Circumstances (v. 28).  
It was while traveling that this great man was studying the Bible.