MING MOST COLD-BLOODED

Exploder Pressed Down and Foe by Hundreds Is Blown to Atoms-Thick of the Fight at Retaking of Douaumont Described by Eyewitness

> Written Specially For the Evening Lengen By ELLEN ADAIR

> > France as he ran. "Marchons!" and "Aux armes, citoyens!" mingled with the roar of

And then the Germans saw that they were taken on both sides. Panic occurred. Six thousand pairs of hands went up in surrender.

All day there was terrific fighting, too. in

All day there was terrific fighting, too. In the small villages around. Old-time ferocity came into full play. Men crept from ruln to ruln, grenades poised, their tread cat-like. Machine-guns rattled early from hid-den corners and whole platoons went down before them.

DREAD OF SNIPERS

The cerie sights of No-Man's-Land vastly

MINING, perhaps, is the most cold-blooded form of warfare. Just the forcing down of the handle of the exploder, and a hundred odd men will be blown to



a young Brit-ish officer, "was when I would give er trench a

before them.

Frenzied cries of "Kamerad! Kamerad!"
rent the air, but the French mood mocked
it all.

"We were men who ran a winning race
from start to finish," said a poilu afterward, "and it was only the setting of the
sun that stopped us in the end!"

Before the finish of the third day 12,000
prisoners were taken. hear them

each

they were on the edge of I could bear ELLEN ADAIR no longer, quickly I forced the handle down. A sife explosion! Then silence, his War of Moles, with death lurking

This War of Moles, with death lurking in the ground, means constant struggle with an enemy one seldom sees. Mining and counter-mining are dangerous games. The enemy may get up near the opposing trenches with bounter-shafts, and many a man has come face to face with a foe, far underground, and fought a bloody battle The British, French and Russian soldiers The British, French and Guardian whom I have met are unanimous in giving the Germans their due meed of praise. They are also unanimous in decrying the German "massed attacks" as inhuman to the German troops themselves.

LIKE WHEAT BEFORE SCYTHE "We are forced to meet them with the full blast of our artillery." says the French 'pollu." "and it makes us week to see them to down like wheat before the scythe, falling by tens of thousands!"

The British Tenmy is more terse. "Makes me sick at the stomach to see the "We are forced to meet them with the

The British Tommy is more terse.
"Makes me sick at the stomach to see the laughter," says he, "but they bravely stagger on, dying in rows, right up to our trenches."

The Russian soldier in telling the tale prayer to "Little Christ our Father."
"Brave fellows." he declares, "but against The Crown Prince's massed attacks before Verdun cost Germany 500,000 casualties. And the retaking of Douaumont by the French is an epic which will not soon be

forgotten.

"Imagine a vast plowed field, the vastest that ever was thought of," says a spectator; "let it be pitted with innumerable shell holes so deep that a large wagon could be hidden in some of them. Fill your holes with water sufficient to drown a man if he abould fall therein. Let your mud be so glutinous that it will draw the boots from your feet.

"Bring darkness upon the scene and a turrible barrage from the enemy and here

turible barrage from the enemy and here shall be a picture of what the Douaumont relief had to suffer nightly.
"Every step was a hazard in that fearful morass. Shells fell incessantly, plowing the warred earth, making fountains of the rain. pools, often destroying a whole plateon as they fell! The sky shone silver with stars -not astronomers' stars, but star shells! Men buried their faces in the very mud and ered in God's name how they could sky! For after all, that's the safer way!

RED CROSS HERE SENDS

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or any emergency are going on apace at

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the Red Cross, 221 South Eighteenth street.

ecording to announcement made today by

the executive secretary, Richard E. Wilson,

who says enrollment is being taken for

classes and requests for aid are being pre-

"We are sending out requests today to

ar members, to other branches in this ter-

ritory, which includes Philadelphia, Dela-

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llow cases, 5000 blankets, surgical sup-

es of all descriptions, thousands of com-

fort bags, nightshirts, pajamas, bathtowels,

awels and washrags. Then, too, we are

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rding to Mr. Wilson, who says the free

for those who cannot afford to pay.

All supplies, sheets, pillow cases and things secured by the Red Cross, according to Mr. Wilson, will be placed in Government storage houses for the naval hospital, ready for immediate use in case there is a declaration of way.

wish Women Pledge Support to Wilson

alt Whitman's Birthplace Sold

s, whether paid or free, will be in-

liter-bearing classes for men."

RICHARD E. WILSON. Executive Secretary, Southern Penn-sylvania Chapter Red Cross.

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EVENING LEDGERITES WEAPON OF MODERN WARFARE

Many Letters From Readers Expressing Their Views of the Woman's Page

IN PRIZE CONTEST

The response with which the prize contest open to all readers of the Woman's Page of the Evenino Lenger has been what happened when the hour struck is now well known. Pollu, with all his fighting blood up, swarmed by the thousand across that terrible field. Running, crawing, now dodging to the left, now to the right, disappearing in vast shell holes, reappearing undaunted, he made straight for the enemy and always singing the songs of France as he ran. "Marchons!" and "Aux armes, citoyens!" mingled with the roar of met is most encouraging. From day to day letters from different parts of the city and State have been coming in, some of them full of useful suggestions.

The competition is now in its second week. There is still another week during which you may try for these three attractive prizes of \$50, \$30, and \$50, each so

tive prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20 each, so if you, too, have any ideas about the kind of page you would like to see, send them

But do no before the evening of Saturday, February 17. No letter matted later than midnight of that date will be accepted. The awards will be announced the following

week.

Don't hesitate because you fear your views may not be worth while or your literary style will not win a prize. Literary merit will not be considered, the awards and publications being determined solely on the value of the suggestions submitted.

If you have cause to criticize the Woman's Page of the Evening Leputen, or the manner in which it is conducted, good or bad, bring your criticisms where they will be most effective—to us.

e most effective-to us.

The aim of the editor has always been to reflect the sentiment held by the greatest number of its readers. Give us your honest opinion—and before Saturday night of next week!

Before the finish of the ton. prisoners were taken. Then General Nivelle addressed his staff before leaving them. "Gentlemen," said he. "I leave you after a splendid day. The experience is conclusive. Our method has been a conclusive. Our method has been a conclusive. MINIMUM POTATO COST 40 CENTS A BUSHEL Army has displayed more clearly than be-fore its moral and material ascendancy

Bucks County Farm Bureau Disputes Plumsteadville Farmer's Figures

over the enemy."

Two Lendon boys of my acquaintance were busily digging themselves into a trench in Wood. They were bosom friends, a regular Jonathan and David, and had come through two years' fighting unscarred. DOYLESTOWN, Pa., Feb. 7.—A Plum-steadville farmer stated before a grange that he raised potatoes at a cost to him Suddenly the younger of the two gave a little cough, his shovel clattered against his pick and he slipped quietly forward. A sulper's aim had been only too accu-rate, and he will never wield a pick and of nineteen cents a bushel, and to disprove this statement a committee from the Bucks County Farm Burcau, headed by R. E. Garber, county farm agent, prepared an expense list, showing that potatoes can not be raised at less than forty cents a bushel. Allowing a yield of 200 bushels of potatoes to the acre—which yield is rare His friend went almost mad with grief.
Revenge was his leading thought. All
day he crept stealthily from tree to tree,
till at last he sighted a dim shape in a
fork, silhouetted vaguely against the evethese figures show the lowest possible

Ten bushels of seed potatoes at \$1.40. Man and two horses plowing half a day futting potatoes. Planting machine, two men and horses. Cuffivating four times. Fertilizer, 500 pounds. Manure, nine tons at \$2 and spreading. Paris greening twice. Digging and measuring. Rent of ground. fork, sinouetted vaguely against the evening sky.

He took a careful shot. There was a crash, and something fell through the branches with a heavy thud. It was a German sniper—and his friend's death was The cerie sights of No-Man's-Land vastly impresses the average soldier.

"Never shall I forget one glorious dawn, when the sky was glowing in shell-pink and blush-rose," one poetical Tommy told me, "everything in nature seemed wonderful—till I had one glimpse of the wire hefore our trenches! Ugh! Twas a fearsome sight! Nearly a hundred dead Germans were twisted over it, only a few yards from my nose, and one of them so close that I could lean forward ard touch him!" "He had the wire-cutters in one hand, and that was held stiff above his head! In the other was his rifle, and his legs were

This is the cost of 200 bushels, making the cost of a single bushel forty cents.

LOOK FOR TOMATO BOOM

New Persey Farmers Anticipate An other Season of Big Profits

SWEDESBORO, N. J., Feb. 7 .- Should the damage to southern crops be as ex-tensive as reports indicate it will affect the prices of early truck crops in New Jersey nd elsewhere in the North.

the other was his rifle, and his legs were twisted. His head was twisted backward over the wire, and his face was most terrible of all. For it was drawn into a grin that showed every tooth?

"Turn his face away," screamed out a soldier whose never head all many and all the showed all many and all the showed every tooth." Farmers in this part of the State are already making preparations for a big planting of early tomatoes, for which crop Swedeshoro is one of the most important shipping stations. The farmers here made large profits from this crop last season, and they expect to do even better this year.

Mrs. White Gives Ambulance

Mrs. J. William White has presented an ambulance to the American Ambulance Corps in France in memory of her hus-band, the eminent surgeon. Doctor White took over a corps of surgeons who had charge of the American Ambulance Hos-pital in the summer of 1915, raised \$45,000 for hospital work in France and wrote several books and pamphlets favoring the

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LORD ABERDEEN SEES EARLY END OF WAR TO KEEP IN HEALTH

Takes Enrollment for First Aid Peace Will Come Much Sooner Than Expected, British Diplomat Savs

> Lord Aberdeen, British diplomat, who is the Bellevue-Stratford, predicted today that peace would come much sooner than many persons expected.

> The diplomat, who was a former Vice-

Lord Aberdeen explained the motive of the Lengue to Enforce Peace. Persons is going to "butt in" the present war. "It is simply to preserve peace after peac

once more reigns. It is a fine idea. Not only do statesmen of leading countries rec-ognize it, but even your own Theodore Roosevelt has urged it, if I remember correctly, in a magazine article."

"Do you not think the moral effect will be effective?" he was asked.

"Yes." he answered, "but it must have Yes, he answered, but it must have something more potent to back it up. A policeman acts as a moral effect. I might say. The sight of him will often stop a man from breaking the law. But when a man starts to break the law the policeman must take out his truncheon and stop

taking enrollment now for first-aid and Lord Aberdeen then praised this nation very highly for its severance of diplomatic relations with Germany. The act he charall be two, one paid, the other fore, acacterized as a "pronouncement of a great principle." "I can only repeat the words es are an innovation. The latter will tructed by volunteer physicians and sur-sons under the direction of Dr. Alfred lungel, well known surgeon and lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania Medical College.

Lord Aberdeen afterward went to the uncheon of the Playgrounds Association at he University Club.

The Big Sinters, composed of the leading sewish women of Philadelphia, have sent telegram to President Wilson expressing the loyalty of their members. The telegram also commends Mr. Wilson's efforts to keep the United States from war and hopes he may succeed. It is signed by Marion L. Polak, president, and Jeanette Oppensimer, secretary. Horlick's Malted Mil

"Turn his face away," screamed out a soldier whose nerves had all gone to pieces with shell-shock and who was trembling with horror at the sight. "And just with that the dead German quiety slipped down—a touch of wind did it—and as he slipped his chin caught in one of the wires, his head tilted forward and he stomed stripning. stopped grinning. "But after that," concluded the Tommy, "the beauty of rosy dawns didn't appeal to me, and I was so busy watching the wires that I couldn't stop to watch the

in this city after attending the banquet of the League to Enforce Peace last night at

roy of Ireland and Governor General of Canada, in making this prediction added that this war was one of salvation. "If I were a German," he remarked, "I venture to say that, knowing as much as I do, I could not help being pro-Ally in my sympathies. We are fighting to protect Germany from Germany."

In explanation of this, he said that the lization, meaning that the true Germany would be better off by the elimination or reduction to submission of the men now ruling the destinies of the Teutons.

should not, he said, think that the league

of Lioyd George," he said in regard to this.
"America has harkened to the call of destiny in taking her share in the vindica-

tion of international law and rights."
"There is no real unfriendliness in England toward the United States," he continued. "If there were the headlines would have said last week, Better Late Than Verser, or something of the sort. But they Never, or something of the sort. But they didn't."



WOMEN'S SPRING HATS DESIGN, NOT ACCIDENT

Simplicity the Key to New Styles, With Strong Oriental

To those who have not believed it, women his spring are going to prove that they

are people They are going to do it by proving that they are more sensible; and they will prove that they are more sensible by their new spring hats.

So there, as the saving is, you are:
Milady's new spring bonnet will not necessarily have a blue rithon on it, but its stylishness will be judged by the degree of its simplicity. The style for the spring and summer, indeed, will reach very nearly to the other end of that line of extremity marked a few years back when she appeared under a wealth of pompadour and a large gob of millinery that often looked like the wreckage of an explosion.

Except for the sharp colorings of it, she will wear this spring almost no hat at all. It will be light, your light in weight. So there, as the saving is, you are

all. It will be light—very light in weight— and to guess from the early showings of the milliner's art, its lines will be a part of

. That is to say, it will not seem at all. as in memorable times gone by like a bit of extraneous matter that had somehow collected around her brow in a process of development similar to that in which a cobweb strays across the curner of an old room. It will be a design and not an acci-dent.

The milliners give no reason; its change is only a change of style. But there is a reason. There are two reasons. One is, as those who have watched have seen, that all of woman's clothing has tended toward several years. The other is that a new art has entered into hat making—the art of China and Japan.

To be sure, the American weman this spring will still look to Paris for some of her hat ideas, but there have come into the country from the Orient some happy sug-gestions that have resulted in the simpli-fication of women's hats. They are princi-pally Chinese ideas of color and Japanese



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ideas of design. Their colorings will be vivid with contrasts and their lines and decorative designs will have that same ele-ment of pleasure for the eye that one finds in Japanese prints and wall tapestries with heir brilliant spots and broad spaces.

Millinery windows in Chestnut and Wal-nut streets and in Fifth avenue show these "riots of color." Reds, crimsons, yellows, blues—almost pure primary colors pre-dominate, while the secondary and comple-mentary colors of violet, brown and green are warmed nearly to rainbow brilliance.

I the hate may be seen in such decorations as little brightly colored celtuloid wings—the Japanese artist was ever good virtually taking the place of Pan at drawing decorative birds-and on some hats, it is rather a fad, may be found even Chinese coins. Those who have atways wondered why there were holes in Chinese money may now have some reason for the dress occasions. These has Chinese money may now have some reason to ascribe for them. The coins are sewed on the hats like buttons.

The new hats mostly are made of light style.

many of them. Bankok straw

While sport hats will be much

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