

ARMY WORK  
Camps and Girls in Nearby Towns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The girls are becoming increasingly busy as day and night patrols in the military camps, Mrs. Moore, head of the National Council's Women Committee today.

Additional of this feminine touch to the hand of the law is in response to general public demand, according to Moore.

Many places they have cleared out of the boys in camp and the girls in nearby towns, but have arisen there club singing and inspired intercourse of the right sort between them.

There are now five policemen in the camp police and paid by the State Department of National Defense. They are splendid work in safeguarding the camps of the military and naval camps.

A number of undesirable women and girls have been taken in custody, an effort being made to handle each case individually. On the other hand girls are being protected and cared for and the policemen try to impress on them through several agencies the danger of sleeping about camp, and being on the streets at night unescorted.

Not content with the mere work of patrolling and arresting, they have arranged to give both soldiers and girls recreation.

Instead of merely hustling the girls on the street they are giving them parties to go to. Well-chaperoned dances and entertainments are warmly welcomed by both men and girls, and through the efforts of policemen such games of recreation are being arranged.

U. S. NAILS GERMAN LIE  
Reported Shooting of Woman Spy in This Country Denied

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Nailing a German propaganda lie the State Department today called its legations in several countries a denial that a German woman spy "Anna Hulstems" had been shot in this country.

The department took notice of the story—widely printed in German papers as an effort to the Cavell case—only after it was reprinted in neutral countries. This country never heard of such a woman, it was stated officially.

Choral Society to Give "Messiah"  
The first concert of the Choral Society will be given at the Academy of Music, Friday evening, December 28, when "The Messiah" will be rendered by a chorus of 500. The accompaniment will be by the Philadelphia Orchestra, with the soloists, who will be under the direction of Henry Gordon Thayer.

U. S. AIRMAN FALLS IN FIRST BATTLE

Lieutenant Walcott, Attacked by Three German Planes, Believed to Have Been Killed

PARIS, Dec. 14.—Lieutenant Benjamin Walcott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Walcott, of Washington, fell in his first air fight Tuesday, and it is feared he was killed, according to word received here today from the front.

Young Walcott, who is an American aviator, successfully brought down his adversary on his first aerial encounter. While he was streaking it back to the lines, however, three German machines attacked him from the rear. His machine was seen to fall.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Lieutenant Benjamin Walcott, believed killed in his first battle in the air after felling his German adversary, is the twenty-one-year-old son of Secretary Charles D. Walcott, of the Smithsonian Institution here. Young Walcott enlisted in the aviation service following his graduation from Princeton University this year.

WAR CRITICS DEMAND A COALITION CABINET

Removal of Baker Also Has Place in Political Talk at Capital

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A coalition cabinet, removal of Secretary Baker and a big supply division stripped of red tape are sensational changes suggested in gossip growing out of the Senate investigation of conduct of the war.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The demand for a coalition cabinet has been heard since the start of the war. Despite efforts to keep politics in the background Congressmen admitted it is rearing its head. They asserted that President Wilson can obtain the highest efficiency and at the same time the greatest cooperation only through a coalition cabinet.

CHILDREN GIVE \$100 School Pupils Contribute Christmas Savings to K. of C. Fund

One hundred dollars from children of the Immaculate Conception Parish School was among the latest contributions to the Philadelphia quota of the Knights of Columbus \$6,000,000 war-camp fund.

Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty announced that he expected Philadelphia's quota of \$150,000 to be complete by Monday next, and he expressed appreciation for the support given the campaign.

BANDAGES BY MILLIONS NEEDED FOR U. S. TROOPS

Red Cross Head, in France, Warns of National Disgrace Because of Lack

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—With the warning that "a serious calamity and a national disgrace are inevitable," if surgical dressings are not sent to France with all possible speed, Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, head of the American Red Cross in France, begs that the need be supplied at once.

DECLARE TOMPKINS INSANE

Alienists Testify Alleged Slayer Was Demented and Is Dangerous

EBENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.—That George C. Tompkins, Jr., was not only insane prior to the murder of Edmund I. Humphries, of Philadelphia, and during his alleged commission of that crime, but is now a victim of dementia which may at any time lead him to commit another murder, was the opinion expressed on the witness stand here at the trial of Tompkins by Dr. Theodore Diller, of Pittsburgh, a specialist in nervous disorders.

Injured Physician Recovering

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 14.—Dr. L. A. Shinnery, of this city, who was shot and dangerously wounded on Monday by a man who accused him of having caused his wife's death, has survived the crisis and has a chance to recover, surgeons at the State Hospital here say.

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