

SAVAGES BABIES COMPARED WITH GERMAN ARMY

Even Darkest Africa Is Glad to Escape Grip of The Hun

The aroma of the vast South Africa veldt, the cry of the savage in his lonely path, the mysterious fascination of the Dark Continent, pervaded Harrisburg last night, when J. H. Balmer, a noted English traveler introduced to an audience of 1,000 at Stevens Memorial Church his Kadri singing boys. Miss Elsie Clark, a gifted African young lady, and himself, gave a wonderful interesting talk on his work. The entertainment was a tribute to the enterprise of the Rev. Clayton Albert Smucker, for the Balmer travel-talk is an expensive offering, and most unique. It became famous even in Africa and England before being brought to this country. Queen Mary inviting the company to her palace, and the houses of parliament extending them a greeting.

MANY JOIN RED CROSS BEFORE DRIVE BEGINS

Out-of-Town Auxiliaries Are Awake to Needs of the Great Campaign

Inquiries began to reach Red Cross headquarters this morning from Christmas savings fund depositors who asked whether they could secure membership now or would have to wait until the Christmas drive begins, December 17. The reply was that memberships can be secured at any time, and in consequence a rush of the Christmas depositors is expected. The out-of-town auxiliary at Harrisburg Chapter of the Red Cross have adopted as their motto in the forthcoming membership campaign a motto pre-empted some time ago by Governor Brumbaugh. "When it is finally settled that the thing is impossible—watch some fellow do it." The twenty-seven towns in which auxiliaries to the local chapter exist are out to secure more members in proportion to their population. The total for the entire district is 38,000. At this time the twenty-seven auxiliaries have in the neighborhood of 1,000 members. The hope more than to triple that figure.

U. S. WILL SMASH GERMAN LINES IN EARLY SPRING

Teachers Are Told by Congressman Fess of America's Part in the World War

"When Zimmermann wrote the note to the German representative in Mexico, he perpetrated the most barbarous intrigue ever attempted by one nation on another," declared Congressman S. D. Fess before the city teachers this morning in the Technical High school auditorium. "America has been forced into this war by Germany and our women must keep their hands busy and the men at home must back up those who have gone to the front. Withhold your criticism when you do not understand the steps the government is taking. The big thing is to unite our people and win the war." The speaker's address was frequently applauded by the audience that was augmented by many visitors who desired to hear the distinguished Ohioan speak on "The International Situation As It Is Today." In the spring we shall be stronger than England and England will be hitting the German line all winter, and Germany will have less food. America will push her two million tons of supplies into the sea. It will be preceded by the greatest air fleet the world has ever seen. Photographers will be 7,000 feet in the air making maps and sketches of the German trenches and fortifications while the fighting squadron will be 11,000 feet in the air. We can control the air, and we can control the sea as far as automobiles. One firm has contracted to build twenty-five airplanes a day. Germany's plan in pushing forward the U-boat campaign was to crush England and France by April 1," said Dr. Fess. "Then with Mexico harassing our southern border, and Japan with all the armaments working on the western coast, Germany would come across to the Atlantic coast with English, French and German fleets, and sack and pillage as it pleased." "We have gone as far as we dare with Japan; we must not offend her," was his warning with respect to our eastern neighbor.

PROGRAM FOR BOY SCOUT RALLY AT ARMORY MONDAY

7.30—Selections by Scout Orchestra of Troop 7. 7.45—"America," sung by all Scouts. Salute to flag and repeat Scout oath. 7.45-8.00—Talk, by speaker to be announced. 8.00—No troops to their special corners, as arranged. 8.00-8.15—Signaling by Troop 4, messages to be read by all Scout troops in competition. One point to troop first to read message correctly. 8.15-9.15—Scout Contests: Contests: peanut race; pony express race; "Mike, Where Are You?"; wheelbarrow race; elephant race; cockfighting. 9.15—All troops form and march to Market Square for dismissal.

STORM-SWEPT CITY FACES FOOD FAMINE

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Sympathy For Canada Wired by President

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—President Wilson sent to the Governor General of Canada yesterday an expression of sympathy for the people of the United States because of the disaster at Halifax. His telegram follows:—"In presence of the awful disaster at Halifax, the people of the United States offer to their noble brethren of the Dominion their heartfelt sympathy and grief, as well as fitting aid in the time of their calamity. The people of the United States are united in their sympathy and in their determination to do all in their power to relieve the situation and another has been sent from Provincetown, Mass., with a hospital unit to cooperate with the relief corps. The supplies at Portsmouth include 25,000 blankets and 600 stoves. No further reports of conditions at Halifax have been received to-day by the Navy Department.

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Many Unidentified Bodies Lying in Halifax Morgues

Halifax, Dec. 8.—The Massachusetts relief train that left Boston Thursday night arrived here to-day. There is absolutely no way of estimating with any degree of accuracy the number of dead as a result of the explosion on Thursday. Fifteen hundred dead is the generally accepted figure by the authorities. In one morgue there are 300 bodies. The latter were viewed by a multitude to-day, but only a few were identified. There are probably 200 other bodies on view awaiting identification. In the greater number of cases this will be impossible. A citizens' committee issued a statement saying between 3,000 and 4,000 dwellings occupied by the poor classes had been destroyed, affecting approximately 25,000 persons. Investigation shows almost 20,000 persons are destitute.

BEELIAN STEAMER SUNK

Halifax, Dec. 8.—The Belgian steamer Ambiorix, 1,444 tons gross, has been sunk in the English channel. Her loss was caused by a collision with the Norwegian steamer Primo. The crew of the Ambiorix was caught in control boats. The Primo's bow was damaged.

Daily Fashion Hint



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COUNCIL FINDS NO SOLUTION TO REFUSE PROBLEM

Piggery Proposal Finds Favor With Many City Officials

For more than two hours yesterday City Council, commissioners-elect, members of the health bureau and representatives of the firms bidding for the garbage disposal contract discussed the question, the meeting finally ending without any of the present commissioners announcing any definite decision. It is probable that a recommendation will be made on Tuesday by Commissioner Morgenthau. While none of the officials would make a definite statement as to the piggery proposal made by Haggy Brothers, of Lancaster, is favored. Representatives of the firm stated that they had not made permanent improvements at Rotherstown where one of their piggeries is located, because of the short contract. One of the firm had just returned from Wilkes-Barre after an inspection of the up-to-date system used at the piggery there.

Study Other Bids Representatives of the firm bidding for the contract and specifying the reduction disposal method would be used also made a complete explanation of their plans. It was stated an option was held on the present plant at the Pennsylvania Reduction Company and that if it were taken over improvements would be made to eliminate the odors caused by the process. The bid of this firm however, was about \$12,000 a year higher than the proposal submitted by Haggy Brothers. It was reported to-day in connection with the organization of the ash and garbage supervision bureau that some officials were considering placing the ash collection under the highway department. Commissioner Lynch, superintendent of this department, declared to-day it would be almost an impossibility for him to take charge of the work in addition to his duties in directing street and public improvement work.

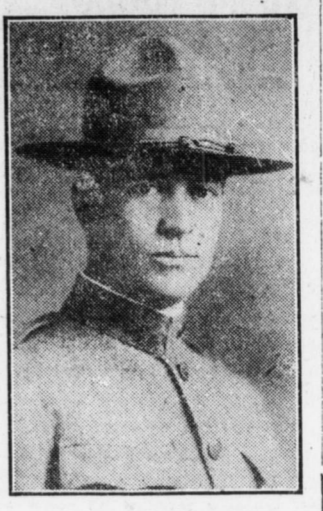
Speaker For Big Patriotic Mass Meeting to Arrive Here Early This Evening

Word was received by William Jennings, chairman of the Dauphin County Committee of Public Safety, from State Senator E. L. Tustin, that Lieutenant Hector MacQuairrie and himself will arrive in Harrisburg at 6:45 this evening and will immediately go to the courthouse, where the lieutenant will make an address. It was stated that the party would arrive in Harrisburg earlier in the day as it was intended to show the visitors around the city and entertain them in the evening. Arrangements have been completed to take care of the crowd that will attend the meeting and a number of the soldier boys who are home on furlough have consented to act as ushers. Those who have heard Lieutenant MacQuairrie speak of his experiences in the trenches say that his descriptions of the warfare now being carried on are very realistic. Judge George Kunkel will preside over the meeting. No admission will be charged.

Funeral Services Held For Charles E. Etter

The funeral of Charles E. Etter, one of the best-known and most highly regarded men of Harrisburg, was held yesterday from his late home, 907 North Front street, a great throng of the deceased's friends attending. Services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Lewis Mudge, pastor of Pine Street Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Etter was a member, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Moses. After the funeral services the interment in Harrisburg Cemetery was private. The pallbearers were all old and intimate friends of Mr. Etter, Arthur Nelson, in whose home Frank Hutchinson, John Kelly, W. M. Ogleby and Ed. Rauch, Mr. Rauch was associated with Mr. Etter in the famous days when racing shells dotted the Susquehanna and Harrisburg won national fame with the sculls. Mr. Etter was 57 years old and he had been ill several months from a complication of diseases.

Dr. Carson Coover Receives Another Promotion in Army



CAPTAIN CARSON COOVER

A telegram has been received stating that Captain Carson Coover, who has for several months been serving as regimental surgeon of the Fifty-fifth United States Regulars, at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, has been selected and ordered by the Surgeon General to proceed at once to Oklahoma City to take a six weeks' course in orthopedic surgery to qualify him for this special work when he will later be ordered abroad.

AGREE UPON SETTLEMENT

Houston, Tex., Dec. 8.—Settlement of the oil workers' strike affecting eight thousand men in Texas and Louisiana producing fields was agreed upon to-day. A written agreement will be signed by the producers and workers later to-day. It was stated.

HOME WAR WORK COMMITTEE IS GOT UNDER WAY

Fifteen Hundred Men and Women to Be Named as Workers

The committee for the formation of a Home War Work Committee, of which William Jennings is chairman, met yesterday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the plans for the acquisition of the members of the committee. The Home War Work Committee will have the direct support of the Chamber of Commerce, and use its rooms for headquarters. Mrs. Marlin E. Olmsted has been selected to head the women's division of the committee, and will organize five hundred women. Mr. Jennings said this morning that the committee will take part in the great Red Cross drive to secure 35,000 new members. He states that the committee can be fully organized for work in a very short time. Mr. Jennings' plan, which was adopted by the committee yesterday, is to appoint a chairman in each ward, who will in turn appoint men to serve on the committee. In this way every man will be espoused by a sub-chairman on the committee, and every worker will be selected for a particular kind of work. By this method of selecting the members of the committee, the committee will automatically be subdivided into organized subcommittees, and the city will be divided into sections, already organized for any war work. The registration of the men for membership in the committee will begin Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

PUPILS GIVE WATCH

Boys of section 2 of the Freshman class of the Technical High School presented Professor Ford with a radolite wrist watch yesterday. Kramer Johnson, a member of the section, presented the gift. Professor Ford, who is a new member of the Tech faculty, was recently engaged by draft board of his home town and will soon leave for Camp Meade.

Say Hershey Company Does Not Protect Power Lines

The first complaint to be made by a telephone company that a traction company was not properly guarding power transmission wires was filed with the Public Service Commission to-day by the South Anville Rural Telephone Company operating in the western end of Lebanon county. It claimed that the Hershey Transit Company had not complied with an order of the Commission issued May 19, 1917, in regard to certain wires along what is known as the "Horseshoe" Road. The Commission is asked to make an order for protection of the wires. Use McNeil's Pain Exterminator—Ad.

VETERANS TO MEET

The City Guards' Veteran Association and ex-members of Company D and I are requested to meet at the Courthouse on Tuesday evening, December 11, at 7:15 o'clock, sharp, to proceed in a body to Chestnut Street hall to take part in the farewell rally for volunteers.

Explosion Greater Than Any in War Zone, Says Montreal Star

Montreal, Dec. 8.—The tremendous force exerted by the explosion that destroyed the northern half of Halifax is said by the correspondent of the Montreal Star to have been greater, probably than any explosion in the war zone. Debris from shells, steel plates and shrapnel have been found over an area of four square miles, with a five-mile radius. Two American vessels, one of them a naval cruiser, were forty-five miles offshore making for port at the moment of the catastrophe. The shock was so great that the chief officer of the warship, believed at first, the Star correspondent says, that the cruiser had struck a mine. Then, seeing another vessel on the horizon, he concluded he had been fired upon. At Sydney, 200 miles distant in an airplane, the shock was like that of a severe earthquake. Windows in the Hotel LeMarchant at Truro, more than sixty miles away, were broken and a clock was shaken from the wall of the train dispatchers' office. A barn at Meagher's Grant, thirty-five miles from Halifax, was lifted from its foundations as though the work had been done by an expert building mover.

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Comparatively Little Activity on the Meuse

Paris, Dec. 8.—There was active artillery fighting last night on the right bank of the Meuse, particularly in the sector between Bezonvaux and Wasmunster, in the region of Hill 344, says to-day's official announcement. "In the region south of Zenonville the Germans attempted to raid our front posts. They were repulsed completely. "The night was comparatively quiet on the remainder of the front."

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