

Square Deal for All Banks, State Banker Promises

Philadelphia, Feb. 13.—John S. Fisher, of Indiana, Pa., the new state banking commissioner, one of the speakers before group two of the State Bankers' Association here yesterday, said his department would be reorganized up to the standard where it can render efficient service to the banking institutions of the state. He hoped, he said, to be able to increase the force so as to properly carry on the work of the department. He said every bank would be given a square deal and all would be compelled to keep strictly within the law.

Bressler Boy, Wounded, at Carlisle Hospital

Carlisle, Pa., Feb. 13.—Raymond Finck, a private in the Medical Corps, is among the wounded overseas soldiers who have been brought to the government hospital here. He is a son of Mrs. Minnie Walters, of Bressler. Quite a number of other Pennsylvania boys have arrived at this institution during the past week.

Shaffer's Last Flight

(Continued From Yesterday)

The fed-headed Englishman insisted on going along, and since I had no objection, he prepared himself for the walk. He made a queer looking figure when he finally was dressed, for the only thing he had of his original uniform was his cap. A civilian overcoat, a pair of Boche boots and civilian trousers made up his costume. Outside of needing a pressing my uniform did not look so bad, for despite disinfection it still preserved the blue color of France, and fitting snugly, was not at all hard to look at. Set off by a jaunty fatigue cap of the same color, it caused no end of comment as we strolled slowly down these pretty streets of this historical cosmopolitan city for nearly every nation under the sun was represented. Frenchmen, Englishmen, Americans and Boche all mixed up with a plentiful supply of civilians also. Many pretty girls were among the latter which you can bet I enjoyed looking at. Seeing those young and pretty girls, surprised me considerably, be-

cause it didn't seem in tune with the character of the Boche to let anything so nice run around loose. However, if they had not deported them into Germany later learned how they had punished them in another way. It seems the Boche required large quantities of hair in the manufacture of ammunition. The horse or camel supply soon was exhausted and they had no way of replenishing it, so they began using human hair. Naturally, the Belgians refused to have their hair cut off no matter what the penalty was for disobeying the command. Therefore, the Boche appointed special men, who, armed with a sharp knife walked along the street looking for some young girl to pass by with a lot of hair hanging down her back. Sneaking up behind the unfortunate girl, he would sever with a single sweep her crowning glory and he off almost before she could scream. Such things were at an end now however, and everybody rejoicing. The Belgians color of red, black and gold were everywhere as well as the other Allied colors, and the show windows looked very beautiful in their bright and artistic trimmings. In fact, it was hard to believe that this city had been through four terrible years of war, as we walked down that street.

Coolly Dressed
It just goes to show how much vitality I had lost, that after fifteen minutes of slow walking I was so tired I could hardly stand up. It was chilly too, for it was late in November and I had no overcoat. Just the same old light uniform and Y. D. cap. When it came to a "chic" costume I had it all over the other prisoners, but the humble Polu in his mud-stained, ill-fitting uniform was at least warm, and I was back in the hospital inside of half an hour to thaw out and rest up.
In the afternoon I went out again, but the Englishman would not go with me, saying that nobody paid any attention to him because of my dazzling costume. "Also," said he, "the civilians treat the French prisoners better than the English." These reasons made me laugh plenty, especially the first one. That the latter was true was beyond doubt, but the reason was quite simple. The French spoke the same language as the Belgians, and could therefore make known their wants; but the poor Englishman was out of luck, unless he was good at the sign language, for there were probably but half a dozen people in the whole city who could speak English. The Englishman did not consider these things at all, merely stating his wants and what he thought about them. Since he would not go along I went alone. I had a better time anyway, because I had heard many rumors of the kindness of the town's people. According to rumor the prisoners could have anything they wanted by simply asking for it. I promptly went about putting this to the test by hunting up the pretty blonde who had remembered my preference for honey sandwiches, she was delighted to see me, and not only gave me her hand and a smile, but soup, cake and coffee as well. The coffee had milk and sugar in it. In fact, she set the sugar bowl right in front of me and told me to go to it. I fear I forgot my good manners at the time, for that was the first sugar bowl I had seen since leaving America. In Paris one doesn't serve himself you know. He either brings his sugar with him or he doesn't get any.
No Objections Passed
No objection was made, however, when I dropped four cubes of sugar in my cup. Both mother and daughter continued to smile benignly on me and when the soup and coffee was finished, offered me some more. Naturally, I soon had all I could hold, and began to think of other things I needed besides sweets. There was a pair of blue woolen socks and a white handkerchief lying in a neat pile on the table. Both of these articles were as ready in need of, and looking at them meaningly I began hunting for words with which to ask for them. But the little blonde interrupted and looked correctly and gave them to me before I asked, saying demurely as she did so, that she had knitted the socks herself. "I'll hand it to her, not only because it's a good job, for not only were they warm but well made also.—No mother, I have not them with me now. They were worn out on the trip back to civilization. But that trip did not come until sometime after that. Meanwhile things were getting worse and worse for us prisoners in the hospital, for suddenly one day the Boche came and left us. Not only did the Boche patients go but the hospital crew also, even down to the nurses and cook.
And there we were—some 30 of us, most of the 50 being pretty sick, with nothing to eat, nobody to take care of us, and nowhere to go. This, of course, did not affect me, for I was not very sick, but you can believe I lost no time in making arrangements for other quarters. As for the others, the civilian population came in immediately and took charge. Naturally, everything was in confusion and the Boche having left, the civilians kept coming in flocks to take things that they had left behind. It was not a hospital in fact. Merely a school which the Boche had turned into a hospital by burning the desks for firewood, installing beds and changing the maps for pictures of the Kaiser. The school had been under the jurisdiction of the Catholic church, therefore, as soon as the Boche left a number of priests came in and took charge.
In Need of Practice
One of these priests could speak very good English, and finding me on my feet for the first time, I did not mind so much at first, but when he continued the conversation for several hours I began to get worried as I had a date with the little blonde. She had promised to give me some more coffee with milk and sugar, cake and soup, and I wasn't passing anything like that up, believe me! Just about the time I was getting ready to go through several nuns came in with gifts for a civilian who had been sick there a long, long time. Of course, they were eatable, and since he could not eat all the things he received he passed them out to the other four of us in the room. Since they consisted of cakes, honey sandwiches and hard candy I stayed long enough to get my share. No, I didn't eat it. I was saving all my appetite for what the little blonde had promised me, so I put these other gifts in my bag for future reference. And then when I did get in the kitchen with the little blonde pouring me coffee and cream, and then sitting down opposite to watch me eat while she knitted socks. I discovered that my appetite was way beyond the limitations of my stomach. So long had I been starved that my stomach had become accustomed to a little bit. And here I was with plenty and could not eat it. I had sense enough to stop however, before I ate myself sick. Other prisoners were not so

fortunate, for I heard many stories of prisoners who, after several years of the semi-starvation the Boche call living, eat so much that the shock was so great it killed them.
Not So Fortunate
Many others were not so fortunate—I mean in getting a square deal—for when the armistice was signed there were great numbers of pris-

oners scattered all along the front, say 20 or 30 miles behind the lines. These prisoners were used as working parties, and immediately after the armistice was signed the Boche simply left them wherever they were, with nothing to eat, no money, no means of transportation, nothing. "You're free now," said they, "get home as best you can." That thou-

sands would have died right there had it not been for the help of the Belgian civilians, there is no doubt, weak from lack of proper nourishment, with no rations to start a long journey, and many with nothing but wooden shoes, they were in no condition to go on the march—even for home. And yet I have heard many

criticisms of the hard-heartedness of the Belgians. I stick up for them whenever I hear it, for I am here to say that they are the kindest people on the face of the globe, bar none. If it had not been for their help I would be dead. Why, a Belgian would divide his last potato with a prisoner of war, I know because I have actually seen it happen.

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