

**BOY CAPTURED THIRTY
GERMANS SINGLE-HANDED**



Richard Allen Blount, son of R. E. Blount of North Carolina, who captured 30 Germans single-handed while fighting with the foreign legion at Verdun. Young Blount joined the foreign legion over a year ago and has seen heavy fighting. At the time he enlisted his father said he wanted him to account for five Germans. The young American has far exceeded his father's expectations and is still going strong. He was awarded the croix de guerre with palm for his heroic exploit at Verdun.

DRUGGIST CLEANS PENNIES

He Thinks It Will Prevent the Spread of Sickness.
R. M. Floyd, a druggist of Shelbyville, Ind., cleans all of the pennies he takes in during the day. Mr. Floyd has been doing this for some time, and says he will continue to do so.
"In these days of uncertainties, when everything comes high and sickness higher than any other condition, too much care cannot be taken," he said. "Pennies come from all sorts of people, just as do all other kinds of money. There is a difference, however. Hundreds and thousands of pennies are spent by children—lots who want a penny's worth of this or that. Many of the children have the habit of putting the penny in their mouths. What can happen to a coin when placed in the mouth is well-known. A penny or a nickel or a dime could carry a million germs. These coins pass from hand to hand, and only too often from mouth to mouth."
Mr. Floyd cleans his coins by rubbing them with Spanish whiting, which he says is the cheapest method. Any substance that scours will do, he says.

COFFIN BLOCKS SPEEDERS

Victim in Road Gives Mute Protest to Motorists.
Chinese coolies have devised an effective means of protesting against speeding automobiles. A few days ago an automobile belonging to a prominent Chinese official killed a child near the summer palace at Peking. The driver was arrested, but released upon payment of a very small fine.
In expression of their disapproval of the court's action the parents of the child and their neighbors erected a mat shed in the middle of the road, on the very spot where the child was killed, under which the coffin was placed. Inscriptions were frosted on the sides of the coffin denouncing the injustice of the court.
Since then the main road has been abandoned by traffic, but officials apparently have not dared to remove the body, which is watched constantly by friends of the bereaved family.

NEARLY DIED IN TRUNK

Little Girl Was Hidden There by Playmates to Prevent Whipping.
Sadie, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Topper of York, Pa., nearly lost her life from suffocation when her playmates, to prevent her from being whipped by her mother, placed her in a trunk on the second floor of the home of Mrs. Diehl.
Sadie, Mildred Diehl and Beatrice Bookmyer, were in the Topper yard helping themselves to peaches when Mrs. Topper returned home.
Sadie became scared and the children placed her in a trunk, covering her with a blanket and closing the lid. When discovered three hours later the child was unconscious.

BOY TRAVELS ALONE

Little Lad Made Long Trip to New York City.
Eleven-year-old Christy Stigmaier left Klamath Falls, Ore., the other day for New York city, where his father is awaiting him. The little fellow is making the trip all alone and carries a note with explanations regarding his identity and destination and requesting the aid of the train officials in getting him safely to his father. The boy came here two years ago with his mother to visit his grandfather, James Malone, postmaster of Langell Valley, and the mother died some time ago, so the boy has to make the return trip alone.

**PARISIAN IDOL
SEEKS CONVENT**

Actress Tires of Vanities Amid War's Horrors.

IS CONVERTED BY PRIEST

Eva Lavalliere, Late Star of the Varieties, Turns Over Her Wealth to the Poor—Found Shallowness of Stage Contrasted Too Strongly With Boundless Sufferings of the Soldiers in the Trenches.

Paris rubbed its eyes and sat up with a shock when it read in the morning papers recently that Eva Lavalliere was about to give up the world and retire to a convent. Lavalliere, who for almost twenty years has been the joy of Paris theatregoers; she whose verve and sparkle had made of her one of the most popular actresses of the capital—whose special talent always gave you the feeling of biting into a sour-sweet apple with its particular and delightful tang.
Rumor has it that Lavalliere—like her famous namesake—tiring of the pomp and vanities of the world, has decided to seek peace and solace behind the walls of a cloister. At all events, the late star of the Varieties said when asked if the report was true:

Make Vow to Quit.

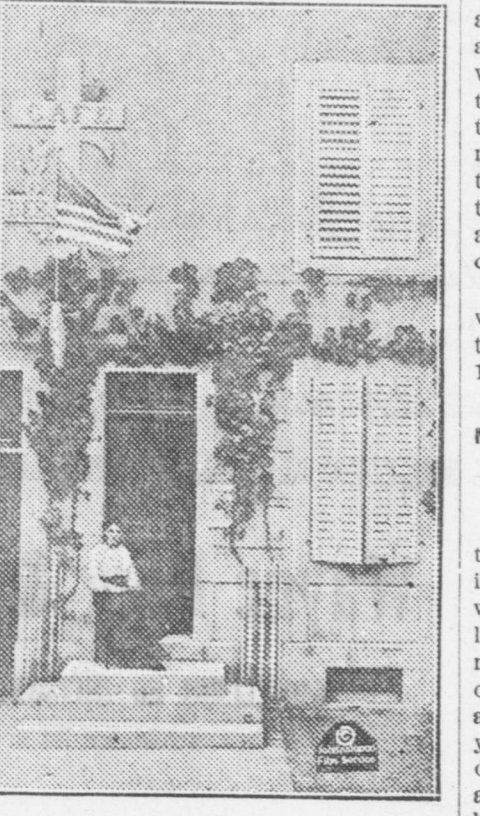
"When the war began I made a vow that I would never act again. Then managers begged me to change my mind, and I consented. I played a short season of 'Carminetta,' but the shallowness and artificialities of the stage contrasted with the boundless sufferings of our soldiers in the trenches sickened me and I gave up the part.
"Last spring I went into the country for a rest, and there one day the village priest called upon me and asked me whether I would not come to mass the following Sunday. I smiled—can you imagine me at mass—but he was such a delightful priest, and to please him I went. I returned again and again—and now I have decided to give up the rest of my life to religion."

Lavalliere looks strange without her makeup. She no longer hides the fact that her hair is white. She has given up her handsome apartment, sold her furniture, her furs and her jewels, turned the proceeds over to the poor, and has declared herself ready for her new vocation.
Some skeptical persons insist that the reason for this change of heart is that the actress feels her powers are waning and that she has lost her looks. Some even declare that all this is only the prelude to the announcement that she is to appear in a new play this season.

The Soldier Understands.

But the soldier in the trenches understands. Through three years of war, side by side with death, he has learned to look into men's hearts. By his own descent into the darkness of his fate he has discovered the shining brightness of spiritual ties. He seems to have grown antennae with which he can probe into the mysteries of a soul. He is not astonished that a woman, finding her existence an empty one, has gone boldly forth into the great adventure of discovering a new and finer life.
With the disappearance of Eva Lavalliere from the world's stage it seems as if a part of Paris had put on mourning for the dead in sympathy for the living, as if she had understood the terrible lesson of today and had decided to expiate, to pay with her devotion the fearful price of blood.

**FLY AMERICAN FLAG
BEHIND THE LINES**



The American flag brings trade to this tobaccoist somewhere behind the lines in a French village. A board also announces the fact that cakes, fruit and chocolate are among the war necessities that tempt flush soldiers to buy.

**This Is Our Winter
of Test**

SERVING food is a local problem for each community. Prices and definite rules for every one cannot be formulated. It is a duty for each one to eat only so much as is necessary to maintain the human body healthy and strong. This winter of 1918 is the period when it is to be tested here in America whether our people are capable of voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world. That is the purpose of the organization of the United States Food Administration—by voluntary effort to provide the food that the world needs.



U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

NEED BIG HERDS

Europe's Meat Supply Must Come From America.

Warring Nations Have Depleted Live Stock at Enormous Rate, Even Killing Dairy Cattle For Food.

American stock breeders are being asked to conserve their flocks and herds in order to meet Europe's tremendous demands for meats during the war and probably for many years afterward.
The United States food administration reports that American stock raisers have shown a disposition to co-operate with the government in increasing the nation's supply of live stock.
Germany today is probably better supplied with live stock than any other European nation. When the German armies made their big advance into France and then retreated virtually all the cattle in the invaded territory—approximately 1,800,000 head—were driven behind the German lines.
But in England—where 2,400,000 acres of pasture lands have been turned into grain fields—the cattle herds are decreasing rapidly. One of the reasons apparently is the declining maximum price scale adopted by the English as follows: For September, \$17.76 per 100 pounds; October, \$17.28; November and December, \$16.08; January, \$14.40. The effect of these prices was to drive beef animals on the market as soon as possible.
In France the number of cattle as well as the quality have shown an enormous decline during the war. Where France had 14,807,000 head of cattle in 1913, she now has only 12,341,000, a decrease of 16.6 per cent. And France is today producing only one gallon of milk compared to two and one-half gallons before the war.
Denmark and Holland have been forced to sacrifice dairy herds for beef because of the lack of necessary feed.
Close study of the European meat situation has convinced the Food Administration that the future problem of America lies largely in the production of meat producing animals and dairy products rather than in the production of cereals for export when the war will have ceased.

**BRITISH GOVERNMENT
HELPS PAY FOR BREAD**

There has been much misunderstanding about the bread program in England. It is true that the Englishman buys a loaf of bread for less than an American can, but it is poorer bread, and the British government is paying \$200,000,000 a year toward the cost of it.
All the grain grown in Great Britain is taken over by the government at an arbitrary price and the imported wheat purchased on the markets at the prevailing market price. This is turned over to the mills by the government at a price that allows the adulterated war bread loaf of four pounds to sell at 18 cents, the two pound loaf at 9 cents and the one pound loaf at 5 cents.
In France, under conditions somewhat similar, but with a larger extraction, the four pound loaf sells for 16 cents.

**MAKING MEATLESS
DAYS PERMANENT.**

In the meatless menu there is a fertile field for developing new and nourishing dishes, according to E. H. Niles, writing in the Hotel Gazette, who believes that the present shortage of meat and fats will not end with the coming of peace, but may grow more acute and continue for five or six years, thus making it worth while to develop menus of grain, vegetables and fish on a more or less permanent basis. Meat can be replaced by cereals and other protein foods, or may be served in very small portions as a flavoring for other food. In making up meatless menus this author finds our American Creole and southern cuisine a broad field for investigation.

**CORN WILL WIN
DEMOCRACY'S WAR**

America's Greatest Cereal Crop Is Now Moving to Market.

MAINSTAY IN NATION'S CRISIS.

Surplus Wheat of the United States Has Been Sent to Famine Threatened Europe.

America's great corn crop, exceeding 3,000,000,000 bushels, will save the world's food situation, officials of the United States food administration believe.
Corn is the nation's best food cereal, housewives are beginning to realize. It contains all the elements needed to keep the body in a state of health and when used according to the scores of tried recipes, especially when combined with an added portion of oil or fat, will sustain life indefinitely. Indian warriors in colonial days lived on parched corn alone for many days at a time, and at Valley Forge parched corn was at times the sole ration of the Continental soldiers.

Owing to transportation difficulties caused by the war the corn crop moved more slowly to market this year than ever before. Now, however, the cereal is reaching the millers and consumers. In the meantime the nation's surplus wheat has been sent to Europe.
Today there are approximately 30 bushels of corn for every American. This quantity is greater by five bushels than in former years.
Corn has become the nation's mainstay in the crisis of war.
Just as this cereal saved the first American colonists from famine on many occasions, just as it served as a staple food during the War of the Revolution and during the Civil War, King Corn has again come to the front in the nation's battle with autocracy.
Corn meal is finding greatly increased use in the making of ordinary white bread. Hundreds of housewives and many of the larger bakers are mixing 20 per cent. corn meal with wheat flour to make leavened bread. This kind of a mixture is worked and baked in the same recipes and with the same methods that apply to straight wheat bread.
Corn bread—using corn meal entirely—is gaining a greater popularity than ever before. Housewives are coming to realize that every pound of wheat saved in America means a pound of wheat released for shipment to the nations with which America is associated in the war.
There are a score of corn products that today possess unusual importance for Americans. Corn syrup for sweetening corn cakes and buckwheat cakes and for use in the kitchen instead of granulated sugar is one of the leading products made from corn.
Corn oil, excellent for frying and for every other purpose filled by salad oils, is appearing on the market in large quantities. It comes from the germ of the corn.

**MADE-IN-GERMANY LIES
CIRCULATED IN CANADA**

Canada is also having trouble with Made-in-Germany lies calculated to hinder Canadian food conservation according to an official statement received from the Canadian food controller by the United States food administration.
The stories bothering Canada are of the same general character as those the United States food administrator recently denounced in this country, such as the ridiculous salt and blueing famine fakes and the report that the government would seize housewives' stocks of home canned goods.
The Canadian food controller estimates that when the people listen to and pass on such stories, each one has the power of destruction that lies in a battalion of soldiers.
"Stories without even a vestige of foundation have been scattered broadcast," said the Canadian statement. "Nor have they come to life casually. They have started simultaneously in different parts of the country and in each instance have been calculated to arouse public indignation."
"They are insidious, subtle, persistent. Bit by bit they dissipate public trust, the great essential in the work of food control."
"It lies with every individual to forbear from criticism; to refrain from passing on the vagrant and harmful story, and thus the more effectively to co-operate in work which is going to mean more than the majority of people yet realize."

**THE UNITED STATES FOOD
ADMINISTRATION SAYS:**

There is no royal road to food conservation. We can only accomplish this by the voluntary action of our whole people, each element in proportion to its means. It is a matter of equality of burden; a matter of minute saving and substitution at every point in the 20,000,000 kitchens, on the 20,000,000 dinner tables, and in the 2,000,000 manufacturing wholesale and retail establishments of the country.



Fate voi il vostro dovere verso vostra moglie ed i vostri figli? La moneta che voi spendete va a beneficiare la famiglia di altre persone. La vostra famiglia potrà solo ricavare un beneficio dalla moneta che voi risparmiate.

L'uomo con moglie e figli deve loro una grande obbligazione. Se lui non prende cura della moglie o dell'educazione dei suoi figli; nessuna altro lo fara'.

Una maniera sicura per fare il vostro dovere e' di mettere il vostro denaro regolarmente alla Banca.

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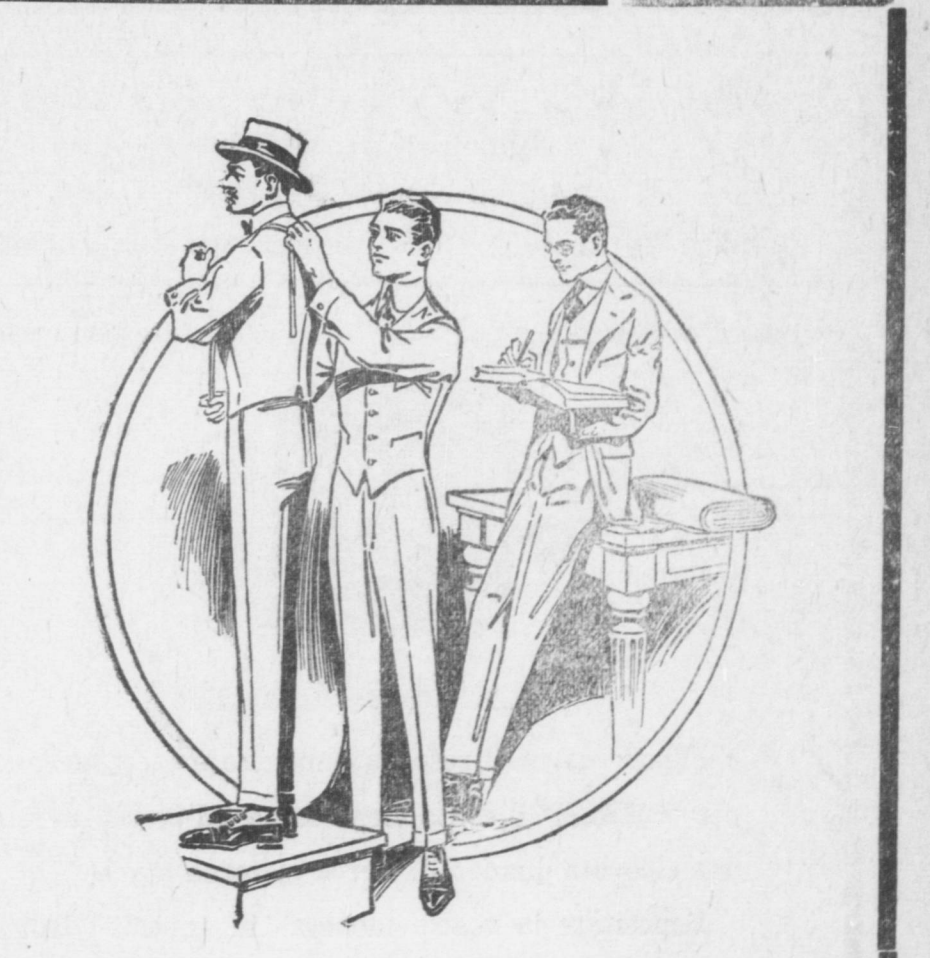
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