

Pictures of World Events for News Readers

In This Department Our Readers in Fulton County and Elsewhere May journey Around the World With the Camera on the Trail of History Making Happenings.

SEEMS POOR ECONOMY

ROUNDBOUT WAY OF KEEPING FIRE HOUSES CLEAN.

Story Told by Writer in The Public, Whether the Real Thing or Not, May Possibly Illustrate a Sad Truth.

About two months ago I happened to sit down beside a pleasant old fellow in the smoking car of a train pulling out of Philadelphia. I wanted to smoke, and on discovering that I had no matches, I turned to my seat-mate and asked if he could spare me one.

"Certainly," said he, "that is one thing I can get all I want for nothing."

Seeing that he was inclined to talk, I humored him by asking: "How's that?"

"Why, you see," he replied, "I work for the city, in the fire department, and we can get all we want of anything like that. Just turn in a requisition for them and along they come. But there is one thing we can't get all we want of, though."

"What's that?"

"Brooms. We can't get a broom. We can requisition as much as we like, but we can't secure a single broom."

"How's that?"

"Don't know, but we can't get one."

"How do you keep the place clean, then? I always thought they were very particular in the fire department to have everything spick and span."

"That's it," said he, nudging me in the ribs. "That's it! How do we keep it clean? Must be clean for inspection. Know what we do? I'll tell you! We use blankets. Yes, we take blankets, tear 'em up into strips and make mops out of 'em and keep the place as neat as you please! You see we can get all the blankets we want, but we can't get a broom. So we take turns requisitioning blankets."

"But the blankets must cost a lot more than brooms would."

"Sure. Blankets must stand the city at least a dollar and a quarter each, while the best brooms bought in large quantities would not cost over twenty-five cents apiece. And one broom would last longer than half a dozen blankets. But we can't help it. Must keep the fire house clean for inspection or would all get fired. No matter how often we requisition brooms there isn't one forthcoming, while we can get all the blankets we want, and no questions asked."

"Seems funny. How is it, do you suppose?"

"Only reason I can give is that the new administration is short of funds. Possibly somebody in a former administration got some graft for laying in a large stock of blankets and got no brooms. But it costs somebody something in the long run. Fierce, isn't it?"—W. P. Jr., in The Public.

Golf on a Battlefield.
Golfers of the Mexico Country club at Mexico City who were recently barred from their games for two weeks because the Carranza and Zapata forces were using the links for a battleground, had an unusual experience when, on the day after the retreat of the soldiers they resumed play.

Notwithstanding that the links had been torn up by shells, all went well with the game until the drive-off from the seventh tee had been followed up to the green. It was then that the man who had the best lie waved to his companions excitedly to hurry on up. They thought that he had holed out with his midiron, but found that his discomposure was caused by the fact that he could not use his putter. Between his ball and the cup lay the body of a revolutionist, who had been killed in an exchange of shots the day before.

Co-operation in Russia.
Even today millions of the Russian peasants are not only too poor to employ any but the simplest instruments of agriculture, but the smallness of their acres makes the machinery we are accustomed to out of the question.

On the other hand, there are large estates with the finest modern machinery, while the peasant proprietor is gradually overcoming the difficulty by co-operative buying.

Six million households were associated with co-operative associations in 1911, and 310 out of the 370 zemstvos were last year engaged in the sale of agricultural machinery.

Long years of experience in the semi-communal dealings of the "mir" have trained the Russian peasants in the qualities necessary for co-operative enterprise.

Girls Ready to Ride Zebras.
The National Woman Suffrage association headquarters is full of troubles these days. The latest is an influx of actresses, stenographers, journalists and other professionals, who want to "go to California." They have offered to walk the tight rope, ride zebras, "bike," or roll all the way across the continent if they are permitted to wear the badge and use the name of the association.

One vaudeville actress offered to walk all the way to San Francisco if her manager would precede her in a motor car and distribute suffrage pamphlets and literature.

"If only Rosalie Jones had not gone in for economic independence," wailed an official. "There's no use getting up a suffrage 'bike' now that Rosalie has got a job."—New York Sun.

French Soldiers' Food.
The French soldiers still use the "gamelle" just as they have for many generations, and their English critics cannot understand how they manage to be as gallant and enduring as they are on the diet which this supplies.

The "gamelle" is a wooden or tin bowl into which the soldiers' soup or stew is put. Eight men are fed out of the same "gamelle." Portions of meat are divided and placed in the soup, and each soldier takes what is before him. He stands up, spoon in hand, and the corporal is the first to dip.

YOUNG GERMAN RECRUITS AT EXERCISES



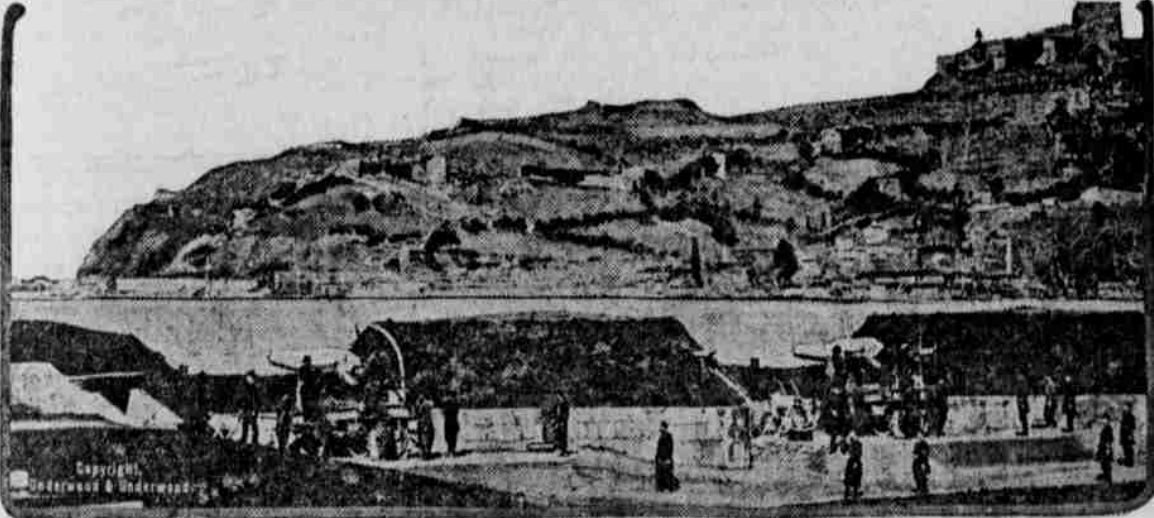
Like England, Germany is recruiting her new armies as fast as possible. The photograph shows a squad of young recruits being drilled. Below are seen members of the Russian Red Cross attending to the needs of wounded Germans.

CITY RUSSIA LONG HAS COVETED



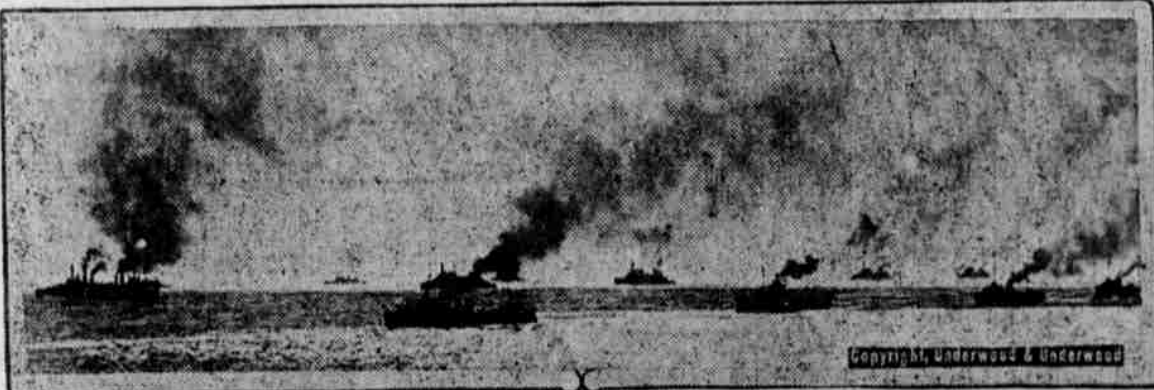
It seems likely that victory by the allies will result in Russia's realizing the dream of centuries and getting possession of Constantinople. This is a general view of part of the Turkish capital, showing the Bosphorus in the background.

FORTIFICATIONS ON THE BOSPORUS



This picture gives a view of the batteries of Medjar Kalesi and Kavak, among the most important batteries on the Bosphorus. It is these modern fortifications, equipped with giant Krupp guns and in command of German officers, that the Turks hope will hold back the progress of the allied fleet on its approach to Constantinople.

ALLIED FLEET BOMBARDING DARDANELLES FORTS



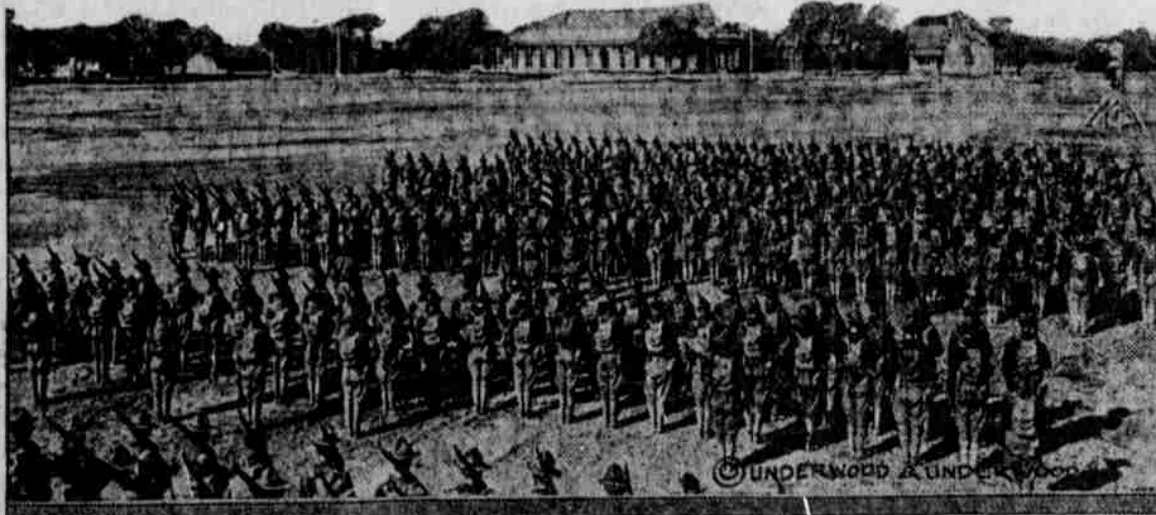
First photograph to reach this country showing the allied fleet in battle formation ready to bombard the forts of the Dardanelles. There were 42 warships engaged. The picture was taken from the French battleship Bouvet.

HESITATES ABOUT JOINING THE ARMY



A German infantryman having a hard time to persuade this donkey to join the German army. The Germans in Poland have requisitioned practically all beasts of burden.

AMERICAN TROOPS ON THE MEXICAN BORDER



Uncle Sam's soldier boys are guarding the Mexican border and are keeping in constant training at Fort Brown, Brownville, Tex., to be prepared for any duty to which their country may call them. The men are having excellent camp life in the meanwhile. Drills and hikes, with plenty of amusement and leisure, good food and balmy weather are the daily routine of the regulars.

CAPTAIN THIERICHENS AND AID



Officers of the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich which ran in to Newport News for repairs and supplies. Left to right: Captain Mundt, who commanded the vessel when it was a North German Lloyd liner and is now second in command; Captain Thierichens, commander, and Lieutenant Bruner, his aid.

KING FERDINAND CAUTIOUS



M. Radoslavoff, the prime minister of Bulgaria, is reported to have had some difficulties with King Ferdinand, whose portrait is here shown, because of the prime minister's insistence that Bulgaria should invade Turkey without delay and seize Adrianople. King Ferdinand and his advisers declared that such a policy was too venturesome and that the nation could not afford at this time to antagonize Germany and Austria. According to dispatches reaching London from all the Balkan states, the people are clamoring for war.

Happiness and Duty.
Happiness is the natural flower of duty.—Phillips Brooks.

WILL ADOPT CHINESE REGISTRY



Capt. Robert Dollar, head of the steamship line bearing his name, here seen climbing into his automobile, it is said is about to transfer his ships from American to Chinese registry because of the provisions of the new sea-law.

CAPTAIN MOUSSION



Captain Moussion of the French company's liner, Florida, which was sunk on February 19 by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, was especially grateful and appreciative of the consideration shown to him, his passengers and crew by Commander Thierichens of the German cruiser.

ON THE DECK OF PRINZ EITEL



Scene on the deck of the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich just after she dropped anchor in the harbor at Newport News. Going down the ladder to be taken ashore are the crew of the Frye, the American ship which the cruiser sunk.