

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.

ITALIAN FIELD HOSPITAL NEAR THE FRONT



This photograph, taken not far from the front, shows the up-to-date emergency hospitals that are used by the Italian army. The tents even have windows.

INGENIOUS DEVICE USED BY THE FRENCH



The ingenious device here shown was constructed for use of the French army. It is a rotary anti-aircraft mitrailleuse mounted on a cartwheel and supported on a barrel.

The Army of Heaven

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TEXT—God's host—Gen. 22:2.
The angels compose the army of heaven. The captain of this host of the Lord is no other than Jesus Christ, and it was he, we think, who appeared as the angel of the Lord in the Old Testament. The multitude of those who bow to his command is suggested by the fact that in the garden of Gethsemane he might have called for twelve legions of angels and they would have been given him; they are said to number ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands.

We would speak of two instances especially in which this shining host has figured.
The first has to do with the story of Jacob. He was on his way back from Haran after an exile of twenty years. Thoughts of meeting Esau the morning troubled him, for he was learning that "sins come home to roost." How beautiful to read, "And Jacob went on his way and the angels of God met him. And when Jacob saw them, he said, This is God's host; and he called the name of the place Mahanaim," i. e., two hosts. The idea which he expresses is this: that while about him is his little encampment, all unprepared to meet Esau and his four hundred men of war, yet above him is God's army for his defense.

The other instance is referred to in the Thirty-fourth Psalm: "The angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear him, and delivereth them." This Psalm seems to have been written when David was fleeing from Saul. The night would bring its terrors for the little company which was with him, but his faith saw the mountains full of God's chariots, and expressed itself in the words we have quoted. It will be noted that he refers to the angel of the Lord who is at the head of the heavenly army, but his words include the vast multitude which camps about the saint.

In this age the question may be raised as to whether such a truth has any importance for us; indeed some may even feel that to speak of angels puts a barrier between us and God. But if we will understand that these are simply his messengers fulfilling the voice of his word, the difficulty vanishes. We have in mind a couple of incidents which show that this truth may become of vital concern in times of danger.

For example, the biographer of Mrs. John Scudder, wife of the famous missionary to India, tells of a most interesting experience in her life. With her children she was being carried through the jungle by native bearers. The tent had been pitched for the night and this frail woman with her babes was looking to her servants for protection; but as twilight deepened, the roar of lions and tigers began sounding through the jungle and struck terror into the hearts of the men. One after another took to flight, leaving this woman and her children alone among the wild beasts. She prayed to God for protection and it was granted her. That her danger was real is shown by the fact that she heard the lions and tigers sniffing about her tent in the night; and yet no paw was raised against her, and when the morning dawned her children were sleeping in peace and safety. Her biographer suggests an explanation which is worthy of attention. He says: "There was an inner circle; for the angel of the Lord encampeth around about them that fear him and delivereth them."

Again this subject is suggested in the last entry found in the journal of that Christian soldier, Chinese Gordon. As is well known, he lost his life in the siege of Khartoum. The reinforcements came all too late, but nevertheless the faith of this man did not fail. He says in his closing entry, "The hosts are with us—Mahanaim." It is Jacob's old word, and shows that the faith of this Christian hero realized that God had sent his angels. It is true that Gordon lost his life; but he could lay it down in the confidence that it was not because God had left him without protection, but that in the wisdom of his heavenly Father his death was permitted.

Man's Will is All His Own.
True education lies in learning to wish things to be as they actually are; it lies in learning to distinguish what is our own from what does not belong to us. But there is only one thing which is fully our own—that is our will or purpose. God, acting as a good king and a true father, has given us a will which cannot be restrained, compelled or thwarted; he has put it wholly in our power. . . . Nothing can ever force us to act against our will. If we are conquered, it is because we have willed to be conquered.—Epictetus.

Vast Consequences.
There are purposes which God himself cannot fulfill on earth except through you, and every sin of yours is a barrier set in God's way. To be sinning, not against yourself, but against the universe; in the petty yielding to your own indolence or neglect, to be a hindered of God's great ends in the world—that is what gives awfulness to every thought of sin. To injure, blot, ruin yourself—that may be a small matter; but to hold back the vast mechanism of creation—that gives your little life significance.—Francis G. Peabody.

SERBIAN AND BRITISH WORK TOGETHER



Prince Alexander of Serbia (left) and Admiral Trowbridge of England watching an observer operating a range-finder at the front. Admiral Trowbridge headed the first expedition of British troops sent to the aid of the Serbians.

FRENCH BATTERY IN THE ARGONNE REGION



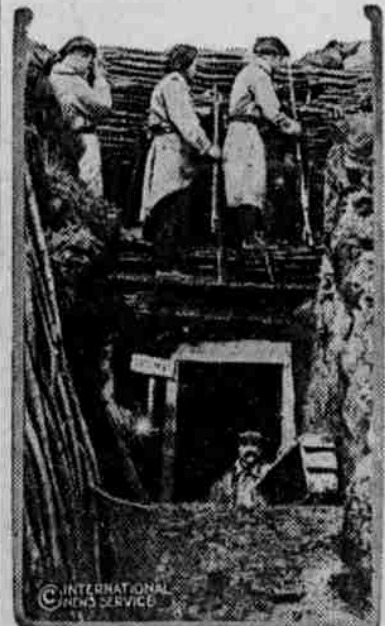
French mitrailleuse battery in the Argonne region, well concealed and firing on the enemy.

PACKING CHLORINE FOR THE FRONT



Workmen in a munitions factory near London packing chlorine for shipment to the front. All of them have to wear respirators.

ELABORATE FRENCH TRENCH



View of a French trench in the Argonne region. Above men are seen on the firing shelf, and below them is the entrance to one of the numerous saps.

GETTING THE RANGE OF THE GERMANS



British observation officers with a range-finder noting the elevation at which the guns must be fired to strike the position of the Germans.

SIR PERTAB SINGH



Loyal to the empire, the East Indians are doing their full share toward winning final victory for the entente allies in the great war. Early in the war when the expeditionary forces were being mobilized and equipped, Sir Pertab Singh, a seventy-year-old Indian prince who had seen active service in the past, organized and equipped at his own expense almost an army corps of his subjects and offered both himself and his men to King George. Sir Pertab Singh has distinguished himself with his command with the British forces in France.

TAKEN TO ENGLAND TO RECUPERATE



Many wounded East Indians are taken to Bournemouth, England, to recuperate. A boatload of them is here shown going ashore.

TURKISH EMISSARIES IN BERLIN



Poor in Precious Stones.
For a land that is rich in minerals of all kinds the United States seems to have a very poor output of precious or semiprecious stones. About the best that we can do is to produce plenty of turquoise, and of this the mines last year yielded \$1,000 more than the year before. Diamonds in the rough were once picked up in Kansas and opals and rubies in one or two of the southern states, but the unromantic government experts, after an investigation, informed the purchasers of the "mines" that they had been "let in on rather crudely salted properties." But that the prospectors are busy in this country may be gathered from the recent discovery of turquoise deposits in Nevada, pink beryl in Maine, sunstone in Arizona and amazon stone at White Plains, just north of this city.—New York Sun.

Boy Catches Shark.
Herbert Young, fifteen, caught a shark weighing 57 pounds off Wallace Rocks in Casco bay, Maine. The catch was made on a common cod line and the young man with the help of his father and Eugene W. Goss of Auburn, who were in the boat with him, had a hard tussle landing the big fellow. It was finally done with the help of a gaff.

A Terrible Thought.
"I see when a man runs for office he has to put himself in the hands of his friends."
"Yes, my dear."
"If a woman ran would she have to put herself in the hands of her woman friends?"
"I suppose so."
"Well, I don't imagine many women will run. Think of taking such chances!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.