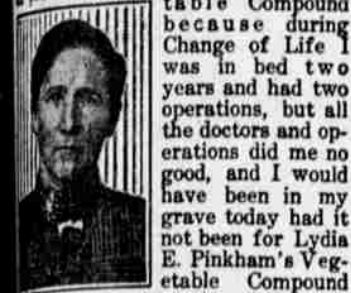


CRISIS OF WOMAN'S LIFE

Change Safely Passed by Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Wagoner, Okla.—"I never get tired raising Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound because during Change of Life I was in bed two years and had two operations, but all the doctors and operations did me no good, and I would have been in my grave today had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."



which brought me out of it all right, so I am now working in my garden. Several neighbors have got well by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

Mrs. VIOLA FINICAL, Wagoner, Okla. "I have had all the warning symptoms as sense of dizziness, hot flashes, headaches, backache, dread of impending evil, timidity, nervousness in the ears, palpitation of the heart, spots before the eyes, irregular menstruation, variable appetite, nervousness and dizziness should be heeded by middle-aged women. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has carried me safely through the crisis."

Philadelphia public schools are to receive increased attention to callisthenics. Destroy lace, silks, carpets, hats, goods, etc.

Considerate. "What makes you so jealous?" "Oh, it pleases my wife."—Boston Transcript.

Just From College. "The very seedy your friend looks?" "Naturally. He's just come out of agricultural college."—London Answer.

An Expert. "The basement at the Birmingham art school is an art model—a perfect figure of a very big man with a rounded corporation. Across it, in black letters, appear the familiar words, 'Eat less bread.'"

BARBER WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD IN THE PHILIPPINES. "I was treated in 1906, and after a medical treatment by a prominent physician, your Ellixir Habek cured me. On arriving here I came to the tropical malaria—the worst form of malaria—and I was cured. Again it is worth its weight in gold."—Brooks O'Ryan, Troop E, 8th Cavalry, Balayan, Philippines.

On the Doctor. "The following anecdote is carefully copied by a family whose Scotch nurse took a rise out of the lecturer."

Doctor Johnson, what do you think of our Scotch brood?" "Doctor Johnson—Madam, in my opinion, it's only fit for pigs."

Then have some more.

Not Yet. "The governor ought to be glad of it," remarked the back platform as he called loudly for a transferee.

"Well, it," requested the gentleman who rides the stockyards line, "isn't it?"

"I won't have to worry about a shortage on any city cars until at least,"—Indianapolis.

Went to Extremes. "A man walking through a quarter of New York stopped and smiled in front of a building, on the window of which was painted in whitewash 'Lam'."

Proprietor from the doorway. "What the joke was and the fellow explained about the mission in 'Lamb' and was thanked for his correction."

Next day, passing the same restaurant, he found that while the bill had changed, the spelling had not been forgotten. The proprietor was now offering "Clamb."

Enjoyed the Fight. "A man was home wounded from the war and he was stopped by a friend who was hobnobbing down the street. His newly acquired crutches, how did you get on in the big fight?" asked the friend, gazing with admiration on the gallant soldier's use of crutches.

"Oh, I had the time of me loife," Mike decidedly.

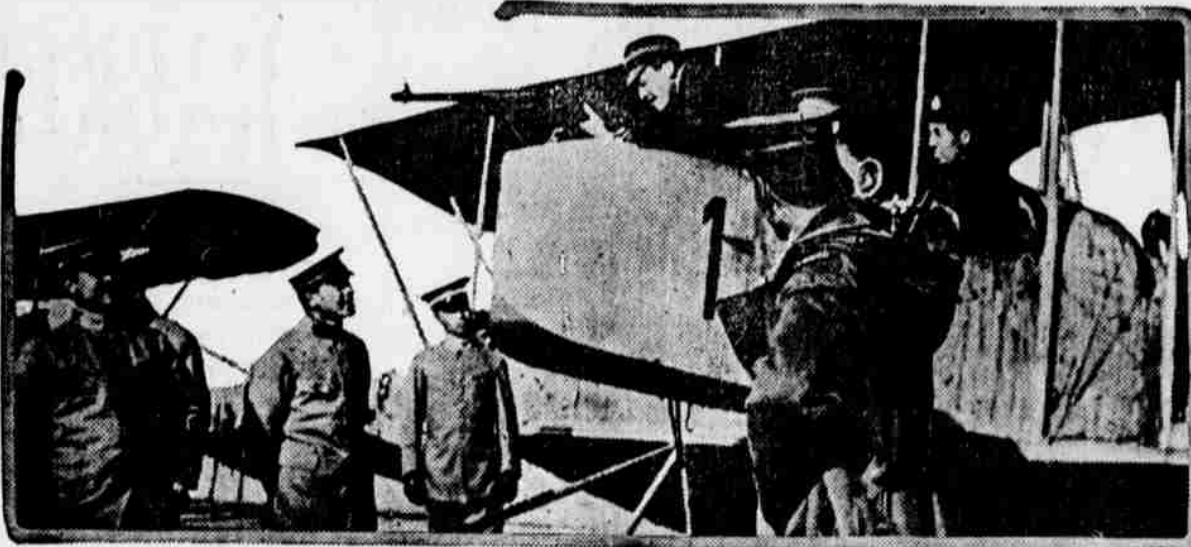
"You got very badly knocked out?" "Retorted the other.

"I know that," cried Mike, energetically. "But, begorra, it was the fight I was ever in that the doctor stop."

Wheat and Nuts. "A Food."

Wholesome Nutrition. "Wheat and Nuts in most appetizing form."

CHINA'S ARMY HAS MODERN AIRPLANES



China has so far awakened that her armies are being equipped with modern airplanes. The photograph, taken at the Nanyuan barracks, Peking, shows Lieutenant Pan testing the Hotchkiss gun on his machine.

PRICES IN FRANCE MOUNT TO CLOUDS

Everything Except Rents of Fine Apartments Have Gone Up Under War.

JUMP 25 TO 200 PER CENT

Meats Head the List; but Clothing is Not Far Behind—Scarcity of Labor is Big Factor in Increased Cost of Living.

Paris.—One single item excepted, everything in France has advanced from 25 to 200 per cent in the last three years. The rent of large apartments is the only item which has decreased since the war began, and that is due to the fact that thousands of foreigners—Americans, chiefly—packed off to the United States in August, 1914, subleasing their homes for a song, and thousands of French people who formerly had handsome places can no longer afford the upkeep, especially with coal almost impossible to get and with the servant question a greater problem than it ever was.

Today one can find a handsomely furnished apartment of seven rooms or more in a fine modern building, with all improvements, at a cheaper rental than the place would have cost unfurnished before the war. But one would find also an elevator—of the automatic brand—that does not work, radiators with no heat, hot water pipes with no hot water, and a restriction on the very amount of gas and electricity consumed per month. And with positions at good wages in munition factories open to every girl from sixteen years up, it is almost impossible to find house servants.

Small Apartments Dearer. Rentals for apartments of one, two, three, or even four rooms, on the other hand, have mounted steadily. They are in demand by the well-to-do refugees, Belgians and those from the north of France who arrive in large batches daily.

Telephones were increased exactly 50 per cent a year ago. Today a line costs 600 francs yearly instead of 400—with unlimited calls—but the subscriber must pay for the instrument and pay for the wiring and other work done by the electrician who installs it.

Bread is truly the staff of life of the French, and bread has not risen in price. One buys still the long loaf for five sous, or exactly one-fifth of it for one sou. But it is no longer the wonderful white "pain" for which France was noted; it is dark, rather sour and soggy, and is a day old before being sold. It is understood that when the nation goes on bread cruds this autumn and the amount allotted to each will be smaller, the bread will be whiter and better and served fresh.

Wine, next to bread, is essential at the French table, and here one finds a sharp advance in cost. Before the war a bottle of fair vin ordinaire, either red or white, could be bought for 60 centimes, or 12 cents. Today the same wine will cost at least one franc, probably 1.25 and possibly 1.50, and a deposit must be left on all bottles because there is a great shortage with bottle manufacturers working almost entirely for the army. And after one has paid five sous deposit on the bottle and returns it he usually receives only three sous back, the wine merchant explaining there is a charge of two sous for rental of the bottle.

The better the wine the greater the increase in price, especially if it comes from Champagne or any other section in the zone of the armies where there are difficulties to the industry. Good dry champagne that cost 12 francs before the war now commands 18 or 20 francs, and the sweeter varieties are only a franc or so cheaper.

Meat Price Doubled. Meat has doubled in nearly every case, and in the exceptions it has increased more than 100 per cent. Pork takes the lead, a small chop often costing as much as 1 franc 50 centimes, nearly 30 cents. Sliced ham and bacon are marked at prohibitive prices, but then few French people eat them. Veal and lamb are the favorite French meats, and they have both doubled in price. A roast of veal will cost from three to three and a half francs a kilo—two pounds and a quarter. Beef has soared like an airplane, costing four, five, and even

105 YEARS OLD, WANTS TO FIGHT THE KAISER

Portland, Ore.—Although he is one hundred and five years "young," and fought in the Indian and Civil wars, "Uncle" John Dowd Sr. of Willamina, Ore., has not had enough of excitement and wants to enlist in the United States army and go to France to fight the Germans. He is as earnest in his desire to enlist as any youthful recruit. Dowd walks two miles daily and often makes six miles on foot.

six francs a kilo, and good quality is hard to find, even at that fabulous sum. Horse meat, which is rarely eaten even in the poorer districts, has advanced 20 per cent to two francs and a half a kilo. The usual sausages, patés, and other concoctions made from meat fragments are double the old marks on an average.

Rabbits—always a French staple—have advanced 50 per cent, and chickens, ducks, geese, and turkeys are double. A three-pound roasting chicken—broiling is unknown here—will cost 15 to 18 francs.

Eggs, strictly fresh, cost 6 to 8 sous apiece, and since there is no cold storage in France the cheaper grades are likely to be strong and cost 4 or 5 sous each.

Fish has advanced in price and achieved a two-day-a-week popularity, because on Mondays and Tuesdays no meat can be served in restaurants, and all butcher shops are closed.

Cheeses have advanced sharply due to the shortage of milk, and the wonderful "petit Suisse," which was 3 sous before the war, is 6 or 8 sous today. Brie, Camembert and other selected cheeses have doubled. Milk is up to 9, 10 and 11 sous a litre, but it is a heavier, creamier milk than one usually finds in New York dairies.

Potatoes are sold by weight, and have doubled and trebled in price, fetching 12 to 18 sous a kilo at this time, although when the bulk of the new crop is in it will probably be reduced. Beans in all their varieties vie with potatoes as the popular vegetable, and Solsons, green beans, string beans, white beans and lima beans are hard to get and have advanced 30 to 40 per cent. Fresh tomatoes can be purchased from hucksters on the street at 12 cents a

BUT SHE IS NOT CHINESE



Her clothes are Chinese—there is no mistake about that—and the pose is purely Oriental, but yet this girl sitting cross-legged on the table isn't Chinese at all. She is Miss Leila S. Gordon of Washington, and she is American all the way through, so you can't always believe your eyes. Miss Gordon is the daughter of Mrs. George Barnett of Washington, the wife of Major General Barnett. The photograph was taken at the annual costume ball at Narragansett Pier for local charities, which accounts for the Chinese attire.

WIVES MARKET THE FOOD

Attend to the Business Details While Husbands Continue Labors in Field.

Canton, O.—Farmers' wives are bringing their produce to the Canton war market and allowing their husbands to continue their labors in the field. This bit of conservation is the idea of the local women's committee of the council of national defense and was brought successfully into opera-

tion only after weeks of untiring campaigning in the rural districts. If there is an extra rush at the curb market the members of the committee aid the farmer women in selling their wares.

Woman Kills Bobcat. Roundup, Mont.—Thinking she was chasing a thieving coyote which had been killing her chickens, Mrs. A. B. Ward, assisted by the family dog, a few nights ago put an 18-pound bobcat up a tree and then killed it with

a well directed rifle shot. The animal was lean and hungry, showing evidence of having gone through a hard winter. The Wards are farmers in the Bull Mountains about eight miles from Roundup.

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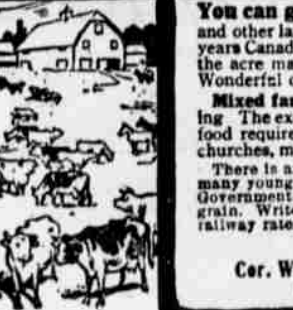
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Canadian Farmers Profit From Wheat



The war's devastation of European crops has caused an unusual demand for grain from the American Continent. The people of the world must be fed and wheat near \$2 a bushel offers great profits to the farmer. Canada's invitation is therefore especially attractive. She wants settlers to make money and happy, prosperous homes for themselves by helping her raise immense wheat crops.



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Most Pressing Need. Edith had been ill and mother had been coaxing her to eat.

"Will you have an orange, dear?" "No."

"Won't you have some ice cream?" "No, no."

The questioning continued. Finally a weary little voice piped: "I'll tell you what I will have, mother."

"What, darling?" "A rest."

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A Bungie. "The kaiser tries hard to please, but his efforts are very bungling."

The speaker was Seward Prosser, head of the New York Red Cross.

"The kaiser," he went on, "kicked out Berthmann Holweg, who only wanted an honorable peace, and took on Docter Michellis, who demands a peace of victory. Yes, the kaiser tries to please his people—he even tries to please the allies—but he bungles like the bachelor."

"Why, Miss Mamie," said the bachelor, gallantly, at the seashore hop, "your mother positively looks as young as you do."

"That's no compliment," said Miss Mamie, with a toss of her head.

"What I meant," stammered the bachelor, more gallantly than ever, "was that you—or you look as young as your mother does."

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SHE SAW DANGER IN DELAY Owing to Circumstances, Fair Maid Was Willing to Make Momentous Decision at Once.

"Harry," she began, in a sweet, timorous voice, "what's all this talk about gold and silver?"

Henry, who reads the papers, and was about as thoroughly ignorant on the subject as everybody else, plunged in bravely, but she stopped him.

"I don't want to know about that," she faltered, "but is gold getting so awful scarce?"

"Awful scarce!" echoed Henry, dismally.

"And is it all being taken away to pay for the war?"

"It is," said Henry.

"And if they continue to take it away, there won't be any left in this country by and by, and we'll have to use silver?"

"Yes," sighed Henry.

"Henry," she whispered, "I told you I would give you my decision in the summer—but I repent. It—it is—yes—yes, Henry, don't—don't you think," she continued, after a moment's silence, "that it would be well to get the ring now, before all the gold is taken away?"—London Answers.

Outside of That. John C. Wallenmeyer, city sealer, who is assisting board No. 1 in the city hall of Evansville in examining the selectives, inquired of a negro of the report made by physicians of his physical soundness. This is the answer he received:

"Well, they say I got a bad lamp, one lung almost skiddooed, feet fat and a heart that goes pit-pat, pit-pat-pat-pat—but outside of dat I'm a perfect specimen."—Indianapolis News

Real Happiness. Happiness consists not of having, but of being; not of possessing, but of enjoying.—William George Jordan.

One Method of Learning. Uncle Charley says: "If you keep still and listen, you can learn a lot from folks who talk too much."

One of the funniest things in the world is to see a man handling a curling iron.

A Loss. "The coal barons and the steel barons promise to give the people a square deal during the war time, but I guess there's no danger of their going too far and robbing themselves in the people's behalf."

The speaker was Samuel Gompers.

"Yes," he went on, "there's no danger of their acting like the young lady at the shore, who said to her father: 'Papa, I lost my heart on the moonlight bench last night, and accepted old Rake Harduppe.' Poor Rake is no longer young, I know, but, as I said, I've lost my heart."

"Humph," shouted her father, "I think it's your head that you've lost."

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No, Cordelia, it isn't the proper paper to eat prunes with a pruning knife.

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