

POLES WAIT TO REFORM

Many Divisions Scattered in Rapid Advance

RUSSIANS BEGGING COUNTER ATTACK SUNDAY

Heavy Fighting is Expected As Soon as Poles Can Reform Divided Forces

Warsaw, Aug. 30.—Warsaw advises that the military operation of Poland will be limited to local actions for the moment and the Poles are reorganizing their forces separated during the rapid advance.

London, Aug. 30.—The Russians in western Siberia in East Brest Province have occupied four villages situated in a Moscow wireless zone. There is heavy fighting near Lemberg.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Italy informed the United States that she was with the United States regarding Poland.

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PECULIAR KIND OF UMBRELLA

African "Bishop" Made Use of Prince Albert Coat When Rain Threatened Precious Loincloth

"The Bishop" is like no other African. He has acquired the graces of the court of St. James and a surprising gift of repartee, using smiles and grunts chiefly. He is taller and older than any native in the neighborhood, which is the locality suburban to Vavali, Portuguese East. For years he has trooped with missionaries. He has carried their packs, bundled their beds and mosquito netting over miles of trail. His name was chosen by himself, in memory of Bishop Hartzell, with whom he traveled.

Yet the bishop is still a heathen—and proud of it. Among the other Africans in any given traveling party he is as conscious of his heathen distinction as Tom Sawyer's friend Jim was of his reputation for having seen evil spirits.

On a recent expedition a missionary saw the bishop for the first time and was particularly struck with the bishop's pride in his loincloth, a well-tailored trifle fashioned from monkey skin and built around a large brass ring. It began to rain. The bishop looked solicitously at the garment—much as a lady caught umbrellas will look at her new apron suit when rain comes. The bishop had no umbrellas, but from somewhere he produced a Prince Albert coat and buttoned it tightly about him. It served its purpose. The new loincloth escaped unscathed.—World Outlook.

ANCIENT AND MODERN NAMES

Wetter Contends That Present-Day Appellations Lack the Euphony of the Olden Times

Speaking of New England names, the genealogical columns of the Transcript are indeed a standing proof that the seventeenth and eighteenth century names possessed much more of snap, flavor and euphony than our twentieth century names possess.

Pick up the genealogical department at random—any day—and you will find such fine and resonant names as Peter, John, Paul, Holbrook, Sumner, Green, Felt, Arnold, Darius, Dewey, Prudence, Reed, Thankful, Sawyer, Thankful, Newcomb, Hannah, Pike, Deborah, Clark, and Jonathan, all of which are from one recent column. It is true that the same column contains names which are not exactly euphonic, and are indeed rather hard nuts to crack; these, for example: Leahy, Bullard—a woman; whence the name of Leahy-Hazel Higgins, Sparrow Higgins, Abigail, Nemo, Emma, Jewel, and Alcy Lockwood. In the previous number of the same department are found the names of Robert, Tabitha, Holdredge, and Kenneth Higgett.

The Nomad once encountered in an old book the name of Camille Scudder. Was there ever a swifter name than that? And what about the name of Elizabeth Hathaway of New Bedford, found in Emery's book on the Newland Heirs—The Nomad in Boston Transcript.

Wilmington, Del., has a dozen of the most expensive and nice in the world. It costs \$3,000 a ton, says the Portland Oregonian.

The reason for this, and incidentally a reason for high-priced gloves, was reported the other day by a prominent leather merchant.

Wilmington is the chief glazed-kid center in the United States. About 20 per cent of the raw skins entering the United States come from China and are imported at the rate of about \$1 a pound.

"What then," asked the merchant, "should be more natural to the cunning capitalists than to increase the value of the skins by sprinkling sand on them?"

"What is that," what happens and the sand is piled of sand at receiving docks here, where the hides are stored and prepared for manufacture.

Of Surnames. It is a fact with any certainty that the majority of surnames are of ancient origin. The Greeks, Assyrians, Romans and other ancient peoples had no surnames; the later Romans had each one real personal name, which they sometimes added a clan name, a family name or a name of profession and a nickname or appellation. The personal or Christian name was usually recognized by early surnames, surnames being words of designation used to identify persons of the same name from each other. The surnames had introduced into England the habit of using surnames, but this was confined to the upper classes. By degrees even the common people began to be distinguished by names referring to personal characteristics, as Armstrong, rank or profession, as Smith, father's name as Jackson, etc.

Of Fish and the Ancients. The ancient Romans thought very highly of fish, and at big banquets brilliant fish were shown to the guests, alive, as a relish, then were served cooked after the soup. Apicius offered a prize to any culinary artist who would invent a new marinade composed of livers of the red mullet. Lucullus had a canal cut through a mountain so that fish might be transported more easily to the ponds in his gardens near Naples. Hortensius wept over the death of a pet turbot while the daughter of Drusus adorned a favorite fish with a collar of gold.

WANTED TO "GO IT ALONE"

Many Years Ago Missouri Declared Her Ambition to Become an Independent Republic

Missouri once had intention of setting up as an independent republic all by herself. The Session acts, state of Missouri, 1838-1839, contain a memorial to the congress of the United States relative to the Santa Fe trade. It tells of an expedition of traders to Santa Fe in 1812 from St. Louis, though it is not specifically stated that they went over the Santa Fe trail.

The early Session acts of the Missouri legislature, starting in 1824, contain many interesting resolutions and memorials to congress on all manner of political and historical subjects. Incidentally the Missouri constitution of 1820 starts with the preamble that the citizens of the state agree to form and establish a free and independent republic by the name of the state of Missouri.

Missouri was one of the pivotal states in the history of this country. It was made such in the ancient fight in congress over the slavery question, which took up the admission of free and slave states and considered the balance thereof in congress. Missouri was also a pivotal state in yet another and larger sense—she was the jumping-off place for that wild and unknown country called the Wild West—the land west of the Missouri river. She made the midway point between the frontiersmen of Kentucky and those of the great plains, occupying a generation of history herself as a frontier commonwealth.

Jason a Legendary Character

Jason was the leader of the Argonautic expedition in Greek legend. The equivalent of his name in Greek is the healer or alchemist. Jason was tutored and brought up under Chiron, a Greek myth renowned for his wisdom and skill in medicine, hunting, music and prophecy. Jason's greatest exploit was his expedition with the Argonauts in quest of the Golden Fleece. Jason secured this by the aid of Medea, a sorceress who fell in love with him. She protected him from the bulls breathing fire and hooped with brass which he was obliged, in order to obtain the fleece, to yoke to the plow. She also protected him from the armed men who sprang up from the dragon's teeth which he was required to sow in the fields. Medea fled with Jason and the fleece and married him. Ten years later Jason abandoned her after she had murdered Creusa, whom Jason had determined to marry.

Lesson in Dietetics

What bread needs to make it a perfect food—a perfect food is that which contains protein, carbohydrates, and fat in certain definite proportions—is something with fat in it. Hence bread "and butter" and bread "and dripping" and bread "and cheese." Pork and beans pair quite properly, because the beans supply the absent protein. When you eat beef and potatoes, or roast beef and Yorkshire pudding, the pairing makes a perfect food. The pairing of condiments is not a matter of taste alone. Cabbage is peppered because it was discovered that pepper discounted the excessive action of greenstuff on the bowels. Mustard goes with beef, but not with mutton, because mutton is much more easily digested than beef, and mustard is a first-class digester.—Montreal Herald.

Must Have Known What Was Coming

"You remember the real estate men who used to advertise that buying your own home was better than prying rent."

"Yes."

"Well, they certainly knew what they were talking about, didn't they?"

Economy

Without economy none can be rich, and with it few will be poor.—Doctor Johnson.

Lucky and Unlucky Days

Study of Statistics Will Enable Almost Any One to Justify His Pet Belief.

Cold, hard statistics prove that the greatest number of premier awards for gallantry were won on Monday. No other day showing anything like the same record, though the much-maligned Friday stands out noticeably.

Which fact gives some color to the superstitions many people have about certain days of the week being lucky, while others are unlucky.

Tuesday seems to be the bad day of the week; calamities are far more common on that day than on any other day. Railway disasters, fires, street accidents—the record in each case is held easily by Tuesday. And it is the day most favored, too, by those who desire to put an end to their existence.

Saturday also has a bad reputation; its specialty is murders; and fully half the petty crime that is dealt with in the police courts occurs on that day. But probably that is because Saturday also holds the record for drunkenness.

There is nothing very distinctive about Thursday beyond the fact that it is the day upon which the birth-rate is highest, and Sunday is noticeable only for its low death-rate.

Wednesday is, above all the rest, the day of weddings. This applies to all classes, and nearly as many marriages are celebrated on that day alone as upon any three of the others.—Montreal Herald.

The Liquor Question

Dr. Epps Discusses Paramount Issue of the Campaign

Editor The Item:

The voter in the coming primary election has at least one issue of paramount importance to take note of—that is the continuance of effective national prohibition laws. The liquor interests all over the United States, South Carolina included, are now making a desperate effort to elect United States Senators and congressmen who are in favor of modifying, or repealing, the Volstead prohibition enforcement law. In our present campaign one or two candidates are trying to raise a howl about States Rights in connection with federal enforcement of prohibition. Anyone who has made even a casual study of the problem knows that the only way to effectively have prohibition is by national law. One wet state can flood every dry state around it. Why is it that we hear no kick about the national law against the sale of cocaine and morphine? The truth is they are not so much concerned about State's Rights as they are in defeating real prohibition. Campaign camouflage, pure and simple!

It is absolutely impossible to permit the home or factory manufacture of wines and beer and have effective prohibition. It has been shown that by far more drunkenness has been caused by so-called light wines and beer than by whiskey. If it were legal to make wine at home the blind-tigers would take advantage of it everywhere and prohibition would be a farce. It lacks a whole lot of being a farce now, as is well proven by the desperate efforts the liquor people are making to have the laws changed.

Voter, take care that you do not allow the cunning candidate to bring tears of your eyes with the pathetic, melodramatic tale of how your old grandmother is deprived of the time-honored privilege of making wine. Your grandmother is better off without it, and so are her sons and grandsons, many of whom first learned to be drunks through this same home made wine.

As to the need for alcoholics as medicine, that is a joke. Whiskey was thrown out of the United States Pharmacopeia, our standard authority on

drugs, long ago, and the physician who does not know of infinitely better and safer stimulants than whiskey and wine is in sad need of a course in modern materia medica.

Carl B. Epps, M. D.
Sumter, S. C., Aug. 29, 1920.

Vienna May Be Center Of European Air Navigation in the Future

Vienna, August 26.—If plans now making are carried out Vienna will become one of the great centers of European air navigation.

When soon after the conclusion of hostilities England, France and Italy prepared to girdle and crisscross Europe with air routes, it looked as if Austria was to be left out altogether in favor of friendly countries, the lines being laid out via Prague in the north and south over Italy, Laibach and Agram. With the arrival here of various missions and an understanding not only of the favorable geographical location of Vienna but also of its existing facilities, the scheme has been changed to centre many of the lines here.

It is understood that Colonel Barres, chief of Allied aviation control in Austria, takes this view and favors the use of the great Aspern aviation field as a central station. This field is only a few miles from Vienna and is abundantly equipped with hangars and repair shops, gasoline tanks and all the paraphernalia of a great war plant.

Companies subsidized by the British government are arranging for an airline from London by way of Brussels, Soebenz, Munich, Vienna, Budapest, Belgrade and Sofia to Constantinople. Vienna is exactly in the centre of this route, which is 2,400 meters long.

One of the officials of the British Vickers concerns has been here perfecting an arrangement with the Vienna Aircraft Navigation Company to care for the service between Munich and Vienna and Vienna and Budapest.

This contemplated care of planes at Aspern, their repair, transshipment of cargo when necessary and looking after passengers, who will be brought by motor to Vienna hotels and back to the Aspern field.

While the London-Vienna Constantinople route represents the great West-East line, the North-South route

is planned from Berlin to Trieste, Magenturt or Trieste, connecting there with Rome. Both lines will have first rate aviation.

In Germany it is reported that the Air Service has pooled the North German Lloyd's resources to have conclusions with the Vienna Aviation Company for the charge of its interests on the territory.

Offices already have been here and regular airplane nearby points of interest have been inaugurated.

Medal For Mothers

A medal for mother—well she serves it!

So thinks the French Government and by a recent ruling all mothers will be decorated who have reared four or more children under satisfactory physical and moral conditions. Mothers of four children will receive a bronze medal, women who have raised six children may claim a silver medal, while the coveted gold medal is awarded only to women who boast eight or more children.

The recent decree recognizing the state's obligations to mothers is part of a widespread campaign in France aimed against the increasing danger of race suicide and designed to teach French women the precepts of infant hygiene and scientific child training.

In connection with this campaign the American Kindergarten Units operating in the devastated regions under the auspices of the American Red Cross are spreading modern theories of child welfare through thousands of French homes in the north and east of France, where formerly such elementary articles as tooth brushes were virtually unknown.

The designs for the Medal of Motherhood are at present in the artist's hands, but the medals will be struck as soon as the suggested patterns are approved by the government.

Carter Is Buried

Richmond, Aug. 28.—The body of H. C. Carter, president of the National Hay association, who was killed yesterday near Staunton in an automobile accident, was buried today. The funeral will be held tomorrow in Petersburg.

Farms, City Homes and Lots

FARMS.

190 ACRES of quality soil on prospective hard-surfaced road, good community, friendly neighbors. One mile Oswego, good school, station and village. Six-room house, large yard of oaks, three tenant houses. Can be cut in tracts of 110 and 80 acres. Price and terms reasonable.

52 1/2 ACRES, 226 in high state of cultivation, 300 in timber and woodland, siding on place makes marketing easy. New six-room main dwelling, nine tenant settlements. Ten miles from Sumter, very near Sumter-Manning public road, bordering on railroad to Charleston between Brogdon and Harvin Station. Lands in this section rank with the best in our county. This large farm is given me for a few days at the very low price of \$65.00 per acre.

71 ACRES adjoining tract above, 50 cleared. Wood will more than pay for clearing balance of land which will make good tillable soil. Situated at siding. Two tenant settlements. The price is right.

YOU MAY LIKE 20 Acres, 16 cleared, of good farming land, two miles from town, on Boulevard Road. \$200.00 an acre.

ASK ABOUT 50 Acres, very close town, with two large buildings. Situated on railroad. 15 acres rich open land, balance in fine growth of young pine timber. I recommend this as a money-maker at \$100.00 an acre.

YOU WANT a little "out-of-town" building site. I can supply you with 14 acres, just beyond First Mill on right side of the Wedgefield road, in a neighborhood of good homes and progressive people. The site is beautiful for a home, and the soil suitable for truck, flowers, any crop, or poultry farm.

CITY HOMES.

SEVEN-ROOM HOUSE, in good condition, on paved street, close in, worth much more, for quick sale \$6,000.00.

A MOST DESIRABLE HOME of seven rooms, on desirable lot with shade trees on beautiful Church St. \$8,500.00.

BOARDING HOUSE, or large home of eleven rooms on East Calhoun St. In perfect repair and built of best Long-leaf Pine timber. Moderate price, easy terms.

NORTH MAIN STREET PROPERTY, 10 room house close in. Lot 56 x 334. A convenient home where spare rooms will bring you in good rental until ready for use as business property.

LOTS.

HAYNSWORTH St., S. E. corner of Chestnut, 60 x 216, in a section where several lovely homes have recently been built and are occupied by the kind of people who make good neighbors.

CHESTNUT St., a convenient spot for the little cottage you have longed for. 60 x 170, at the moderate price of \$1,200.00.

HAMPTON Ave, 85 x 334. A convenient, attractive, roomy home site. Good enhancement prospects.

HIGHLAND Ave., near Broad St., beyond city taxes, extremely desirable cheap lots, size desired.

SOUTH MAIN St., business property may be bought most advantageously through me. Ask me for information.

THE PICKWICK HOTEL building which if carefully taken down will furnish much good lumber and plumbers supplies and other high priced material suitable for use in new homes may be bought at a price that will appeal to you.

Many other farms, homes and lots are offered you through me, but "Mr. Carter" charges too much for me to tell you of them here. Come in and see and I will make every effort to please you.

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