

By The Wayside

When is a gripful of corn not a gripful of corn? Special Agent Dorsey Phillips and Deputy Marshal A. L. Kelly can tell you—if they will. If they won't, you will have to read it in the paper. I hate to tell it, but there seems no way around it.

The two officers, who are about as keen as officers anywhere in the service of Uncle Samuel, were by way of looking out for colored man due to arrive at the union station with one or two of three grips full of whiskey. They laid for him and presently spotted a negro lugging an awfully heavy grip.

"Go to it!" exclaimed Agent Phillips. "He's the guy." Deputy Marshal Kelly went to it. "What you got in that grip?" he demanded of the negro. "Whiskey," replied the negro, meaning, of course, "corn."

"Aha! I thought so! Pick up that grip and come along." So said Deputy Marshal Kelly. The negro obeyed and the trio marched to the department of justice offices in the federal building. The grip was tremendously heavy. The negro had to set it down every little bit and rest his arms. Up stairs in the postoffice building the officers ordered him to set the grip down and open it. "Now, sub boss," he replied with a sneer. "Dat's white folkses business. A white gemman gimme dat grip fo' to tote up street fo' him, en I dast to open hit."

"Ye-ah," exclaimed the officers. "White man give it to you to carry, did he? That's what they all say. Come on and open it up."

The negro had been edging toward the door, which of course did not tend to decrease the suspicion of the officers. He was hauled back and made to open the grip.

It was full, packed, jammed, crammed with—just plain "rosenears"—ears of corn in the shuck. "Take that grip out o' here!" cried both sleuths, in unison. "How dare you bring a grip full of corn in here. Git out!"

Meanwhile the man who had given the negro the grip to carry up street for him, having told him to leave it at Front and Princess where the officers were to catch a beach car, had hidden the negro and thinking he had stolen his "cawn," had reported the matter to the police, and officers were looking for the thief.

Eventually he got his "rosenears" back, and he is none other than ex-Sheriff Andrews of Orange county, who is spending some time enduring of these not days down at the beach with his son, W. H. Andrews, Sheriff Andrews, who had the full of experience with moonshiners in Orange county, and having made more than one water-haul, appreciated the joke hugely and yesterday Deputy Marshal Kelly got a letter from him that made right good reading. "I have been there," said the sheriff.

"And the nigger you were looking for," added the man from Orange, "got by with them."

Jimmie Sneed, the well-known stenographer, who slipped out of Wilmington some time ago and hid in Knoxville, where he is making his headquarters, has been attending the good roads convention in the capacity of stenographer, he being a necessary person at all these big beach affairs; and yesterday when taxed with having deserted the city, replied that he was living on the fat of the land up there in Duplin. "Man," he said, "I have seen acres of ground planted in the soil of crops as big as house, cow pigs and little chickens in the garden. It is the life—beats city life to death. Come up and see me!" He boasted of his beans and roasting ears and watermelons and things, not neglecting to say that he was in fair way of being murdered by the city starveling who was listening.

J. O. Carr, district attorney, knows of a farmer who pays \$2,500 tax on his income, and wanted to pay \$5,000, having made out his own returns and brought it to Mr. Carr for review and Carr was able to show him where he had not fully complied with the government's full demands, but was going over the top about 100 per cent. The incident served to bring out the declaration that there is a new spirit abroad among people. They want to do their bit, to be square with the government, paying all they owe it. A man said that never before was there such a feeling among folks that the war papers in the government, and had a share in it and wanted to measure up to every demand and request their government made. Boys going to camp, from all over the land, show in their privilege to serve and are eager to get ready for going over and hitting the Huns a lick for God and humanity. Boys already over there write back as if the war would be over as soon as their own particular companies or regiments or divisions got going good. "Morale"—it was said in the conversation that the morale of the people of the United States was right up at the top notch.

17,000 GERMANS ARE CAPTURED BY ALLIES

(Continued From Page One). Progress and realized an advance of more than four miles in the course of the day. On the front of the British fourth army the Canadian and Australian troops, with admirable dash, have captured the line of outer defenses of Amiens, advanced beyond them to a depth of two miles after severe fighting at a number of points. Before evening the French and British troops had reached the general line of Pierreperre, Arvillers, Rosieres, Raincourt and Montcourt. Fighting is still continuing on this line. North of the Somme local fighting is reported. The number of prisoners has reached 17,000 and between 200 and 300 guns have been taken, including railway guns of heavy calibre. French mortars and machine guns have also been captured in large number and also immense quantities of stores and material, of all description including a complete railway train and other rolling stock. Our casualties yesterday were extremely light.

BERLIN SAYS THE ALLIES ARE CONTINUING ATTACK

Berlin, via London, Aug. 9.—The enemy is continuing his attacks between the Somme and Avre," said the official statement from general headquarters tonight.

RAILROAD JUNCTION POINT ENTERED BY THE BRITISH

London, Aug. 9.—An unconfirmed report reaching London says the British troops now are in Rosieres, the junction point of the north and south railroad line midway between Montdiffer and Albert.

SUCCESS IS MADE BY THE CANADIANS AND FRENCH

London, Aug. 9.—Canadian troops have captured Warvillers, about two and a half miles south of Rosieres, while the French have taken Arvillers to the southwest of Warvillers. The Germans captured Chipilly, north of the Somme, by a strong counter attack today.

BERLIN STATEMENT ADMITS LOSSES IN MEN AND GUNS

Berlin, via London, Aug. 9.—The German official communication issued today claims that German counterattacks stopped the allied progress between the Somme and the Avre, just east of the line Marcourt-Harbonnières-Caix-Fresnoy-Contre. The communication admits "we suffered losses in men and guns."

FRENCH CAPTURE 4,000 AND MUCH WAR MATERIAL

Paris, Aug. 9.—The official communication from the war office tonight says the British and French troops continued their advance today and won new victories after breaking the enemy's resistance. The French troops took 4,000 prisoners besides a great quantity of war materials and captured several important towns on the southern end of the battle zone.

PARIS-AMIENS RAILWAY IS CLEARED FOR ALLIED USE

London, Aug. 9.—(By the Associated Press).—Another important result of the British and French advance is that they have freed the main Paris-AMIENS railway for use by the allies again. This line heretofore has been within easy range of the German guns and the restriction thus placed on its use has been a considerable handicap to allied communications. A similar freeing of the Paris-Verdun line was one of the first important results of the recent advance on the Marne.

FOCH IN GREAT GOOD HUMOR AND LOOKS 20 YEARS YOUNGER

Paris, Aug. 9.—(Havas agency).—Those who have met Marshal Foch in the last few days are unanimous in declaring that he is in great good humor, according to La Liberté. Premier Clemenceau, who dined with the marshal yesterday, said he found him radiant and looking 20 years younger than when he had last seen him.

FOUR MORE VILLAGES ARE CAPTURED BY ANGLO-FRENCH

Paris, Aug. 9.—(Havas Agency).—Continuing the advance on the right, southeast of Amiens, British and French troops today won new successes after having broken the resistance of the enemy. They captured the villages of Pierreperre, Contoire and Hangest-En-Santerre. Beyond the railway east of Hangest they have reached Arvillers, which is in French possession. The progress in this direction has reached four kilometers in depth. Besides considerably material, which has not yet been enumerated, the French troops have taken four thousand prisoners. The losses of the French and also of the British are particularly light.

CAVALRYMEN RIDE THROUGH HOLE TORN IN HUN LINES

With the British Army in France, Aug. 9.—Allied cavalrymen have been operating for more than 24 hours. They rode through great holes torn in the German line by the infantry. Today was ideal for their work, being clear and sunny. No reports have as yet been received that the allied forces have established contact with Crown Prince Rupprecht's reinforcements, which are believed to be rushing toward the battlefield in an attempt to prevent an even greater defeat. In the meantime the British and French are taking the fullest advantage of the opportunity and at the same time are preparing to withstand any shock which may develop.

Read Star Business Locals.

The Housewife's Daily Economy Calendar by Frances Marshall

CHILDREN'S THRIFT CLUBS

All normal children are natural born "savers." There is nothing they like better than getting up or belonging to some sort of club or band or compact with other children of their own age. If left to their own devices they will invent clubs and associations of their own. I overheard a group of youngsters recently at a meeting of a club they had organized for the purpose of supplying birds with cotton battings to line their nests, and some little boys a trifle older than I know have very seriously got up a club the object of which is to raise enough money doing errands for their parents to buy an aeroplane to go over seas and choke the Kaiser. They seem to think that the world is waiting for their rare bravery and courage to accomplish this very simple little task of patriotic assassination.

Now the government through the department of agriculture, is turning this natural inclination on the part of the children to very good and profitable effect. At present the department is working rather slowly because it is hard to get in touch with all the children but when the schools open it will be comparatively an easy matter. At present for the few weeks awaiting school opening the mothers and big sisters and aunts and grandmothers interested in these organizations, One kind of club is the bread club, the members of which are taught through adult leadership to make quick breads that use fifty per cent and more of wheat substitute.

More than twelve thousand children are already organized in this good work. Even the boys who would ordinarily scorn anything so domestic as making bread have been interested and their parents are making various sorts of patriotic bread. The idea is that even when busy mothers cannot be got hold to teach them how to make the wheat-saving breads, their children can and the children, having been taught to make it very deliciously, soon establish the quick bread habit in their homes. Moreover, their childish enthusiasm is easily aroused over the important work of saving wheat and they carry their enthusiasm into their homes with them. Or even if their families will not cooperate the actual fact of twelve thousand children personally pledged not to eat more than a small ration of wheat is a wheat saving factor of real, patriotic importance.

Then there are the sugar-saving clubs which have an even larger membership. Some of these are organized under official recognition; others have sprung up unofficially among children who have been led by their adult relatives to realize the importance of going without sugar dainties till the war is over. They pledge themselves to a minimum of sugar at meals and they are taught how to make sugarless candies in their own homes. Won't you have time to get children in your family interested in some such organization, and thereby do a bit more of your bit towards winning the war?

LEGISLATION TO AID SURVEY

Additional Funds Make Possible Important Work on Coast.

Washington, Aug. 6.—Important new work by the Coast and Geodetic Survey has been made possible by enabling legislation contained in the Sundry Civil bill just passed. Secretary Redfield announced today that the authority granted will be utilized without delay, especially for the collection of data on tides and currents and surveys in Alaskan waters which will be of great value to commerce. Authorization was given in the bill for the payment of not to exceed one dollar per day as extra compensation to employees of the different stations of the Lightship Service while observing tides or currents. Lightships are peculiarly well situated in positions where it is desirable to collect tide and current data, but such observations are not part of the duty of the lightship crews and in the past could not justly be imposed on the lightkeepers of that bureau without some additional compensation, and the appropriations for the Coast and Geodetic Survey could not be expended to reimburse the minor surveying duties without this authorization. From the results of data collected by lightships it is expected that predictions can be made which will be of direct benefit to navigators and go far toward saving many vessels from loss through inadequate knowledge of the direction and strength of the ocean currents.

as unseaworthy and sold. The third is for four or more new launches, including the enactment of a certain measure is essential to the peace or tranquility of a province.

INDIA'S LEGISLATIVE BODY

Viceroy's Legislature Formed by Assembly and Council of State.

The Viceroy's legislature of all India will be composed of two chambers—the legislative assembly of India and the council of state. The assembly is to have a membership of 100. More than half-thirty-six of the members of the present legislative council are nominated by the governor-general but under the new plan this official majority would disappear and two-thirds of the 100 members of the assembly would be elective. The remaining one-third would be nominated by the governor-general.

The second chamber, or council of state, is intended to "develop something of the experience and dignity of a body of elder statesmen. It is to be the final legislative authority in matters which the government regards as essential. Besides the governor-general it will consist of fifty members, of whom thirty-nine are to be nominated and twenty-one elected.

Throughout the report it is pointed out that the granting of further responsibility to the native government depends upon an active and intelligent voting by the natives.

SOLDIER'S BANK BOOK

Plan to Enable Men to Draw Pay Promptly.

With the American Armies in France, June 30.—Every American soldier in France will receive a "bank book" enabling him to draw \$7.50 a month from any disbursing officer, if the change in pay methods of the American expeditionary force now under consideration is put into effect. The purpose is to enable every soldier to obtain promptly at least a part of his monthly pay

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Men's grey and green genuine Wool Suits, extra big values, for.....\$12.50
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regardless of where he may be, whether in a hospital or with some organization other than his own.

The "pay book" system is in use in the British army. The sum of \$7.50 a month has been fixed as the minimum which a soldier should have for his personal wants every month and it would be given to him on his demand. Each three or four months there would be a general accounting, at which his total pay, his insurance and other allotments, his liberty loan subscriptions and other items would be put together with his monthly drafts. The balance then due him would be cast at his disposal.

The soldier would have the advantage of being able at all times and under all circumstances to draw something from any quartermaster in whose district he might find himself. The proposed system would eliminate the present necessity of having on hand each soldier's service record whenever he draws any money. The hardships on individual men who are transferred faster than their service records can follow them and who consequently cannot draw their money when it is due, merely because the formalities cannot be complied with. The proposed new system appeals as

MARNE CASUALTIES REPORTED NOW 3,758

Yesterday's List Totalled 623, There Being 571 For the Army and 52 For the Marines.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Including 623 announced today, army and marine corps casualties received from overseas and made public since Monday when the toll of the victory on the Marne-Aisne front began to come in now total 3,753. Of these 3,150 were soldiers and 603 marines. Six army lists given out today contained 571 names, including 333 missing in action, and the one marine corps list had 52 names. The combined list today showed an increase of 181 over those yesterday, but their total was less than that of any one of the other three days this week.

Nearly one-half of the men named in the army list today were from Pennsylvania, the toll from that state

ITALIAN AVIATORS DROP MANIFESTOS OVER VIENNA

Rome, Aug. 9.—A squadron of Italian airplanes commanded by Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio, has flown over Vienna and dropped manifestos. The planes were not molested.

Table with 2 columns: Casualty type and count. Includes: Killed in action (163), Died of wounds (4), Died of accident (1), Died of disease (2), Missing in action (333), Wounded severely (20), Wounded, degree undetermined (13), Wounded slightly (4), Totals (571).

MOTHER'S FRIEND FOR Expectant Mothers USED BY THREE GENERATIONS

WEEK-END DANCE TONIGHT AT LUMINA. Complimentary to Uncle Sam's Men. DANCING FROM 8:30 TO 11:30. Come Early! Enjoy a Dip in the Surf Before the Dance. A Trip to Lumina Proves Both Enjoyable and Invigorating. Lumina Bath House Open Until 7 O'clock.