

# HOW FREIGHT IS BEING HANDLED

### Some conception of Efforts of Railroads in Handling Tremendous Freight Traffic Increase.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Fairfax Harrison, chairman of the Railroads' War Board, authorizes the following:

Some conception of the efforts which the railroads of this country are making to handle the tremendous increase in freight traffic which the war has produced may be gleaned from a report just compiled by the Commission on Car Service.

The report shows that during the four months' period between May 1 and August 31 this year, 115,452 empty freight cars were ordered into the South and Southwest to protect the movement of grain and other food products and to assure the prompt delivery of the millions of feet of lumber needed by the government for the armaments and ship yards. Several thousand of these cars were also used to facilitate the movement of phosphate rock and other materials needed in the manufacture of munitions. The cotton carrying railroads also received large consignments of "empties" to enable them to meet the beginning of the cotton and cotton seed movements.

Most of the cars moved into the South and Southwest are owned by roads operating in other sections of the country. They were moved, however, regardless of ownership into districts where they were most needed. The prompt compliance of the roads existing then with the orders of the commission on car service averted what might easily have been one of the worst freight shortages in the history of the country, as the lines in the South and Southwest have been called upon to transport an unexampled volume of freight since a great States entered the war. The movement of lumber for commercial purposes has been unusually heavy and it is estimated that the government's demand for the 64,000 car loads of lumber needed in the construction of the training camps for the new National Army and the thousands of other car loads that are being rushed from the Southern forests to the shipyards on the Atlantic coast.

Compared with the lumber movement grain, molasses, sugar, and other food products have created a demand for cars that would have been impossible to meet if the railroads of the country had not voluntarily agreed to merge their competitive activities and operate as one system during the period of the

war. This agreement made possible the shifting of empty cars into districts that would have been virtually buried under the abnormal amount of freight accumulated in them if the local lines had not received help from their competitors.

At the present time, hundreds of empty cars are still being rushed into the South to assure the prompt movement of all government orders of lumber. Hundreds of other "empties" are going into the central states to protect the grain crop, the transportation of which is now being complicated by the fact that during the next six weeks when the grain movement will be at its height the railroads will be obliged to run a large number of special passenger trains to carry the 687,000 citizens soldiers to the cantonments.

## SOLDIERS WELCOME CANTEEN SERVICE

Washington, Sept. 18.—Canteen service of the Red Cross for members of the National Army and National Guard as they travel to the cantonments is being enthusiastically welcomed by the troops assembling at mobilization points and at junctions and wait-overs. Reports received by Foster Rockwell, director of Canteen Service, from many chapters which have been serving light refreshments to the detachments passing through their towns, show the appreciation and enthusiasm of the troops.

At Washington, D. C., where the local chapter has been serving as high as 20,000 cups of coffee in a day to the troops passing through, the soldiers leaned out of the car windows when they saw the Red Cross uniforms and gave an extended but spirited Red Cross cheer. From all parts of the country comes the same story—the soldiers fully understand the meaning of this patriotic service of the women of the Red Cross.

Only a small proportion of the National Army has as yet gone into the cantonments, and the behavior work of the Red Cross canteen service is still ahead. But most of the chapters have the work fully organized and feel themselves equipped to meet whatever emergency may develop.

The Red Cross canteen service hopes to keep the Red Cross uniform conspicuous in railroad buffers and restrooms all over the country while the trains are moving. The canteen service uniform for women consists of a white apron and hat, with a Red Cross on the front of the hat, and a Red Cross cap. The male workers wear a lapel badge of white ribbon with a Red Cross and the legend "Canteen Service."

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# AMERICAN BOYS GOOD SPENDERS

### Spending Ability of American Soldiers in France Makes Frenchmen Think Money Grows on Trees.

By W. S. FORREST

Paris, Aug. 29. (By Mail)—France is beginning to believe that money grows on trees in the United States.

The army and navy has had several pay days. Shiny American gold pieces have rapidly found their way into bank tills in exchange for French coin of the realm and the latter has been lavishly distributed in typical American fashion. The French public looks with envy on his American fellow-fighter. The public receives four cents a day for being a poilu. The British Tommy gets 24 cents a day. The American soldier gets about seventy cents a day. And he spends it.

Paris newspapers never cease to wonder at the spending American fighters. One told how common, ordinary soldiers of one of Uncle Sam's battalions came to Paris and cashed big letters of credit at Paris banks. Another detail of law an American Jackie bought a dozen bottles of champagne just because it was so cheap in France.

Paris hotel keepers have ceased to be surprised when an American soldier or sailor orders an expensive room. Theatre ticket offices sell high priced seats to American fighters without a murmur. Restaurant waiters are not surprised when they are told "Just keep the change."

So marked has become the American money spending manner that the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., which is a self appointed guardian over our fighters pocket book and morals, has played the following "don'ts" and "when evers":

"Don't engage rooms in any hotel without first asking the price, including light and service. And don't think that your hot bath is gratis.

"Don't order a meal in a restaurant without first consulting the menu and see that the prices are plainly written—otherwise you may be surprised when you get your bill.

"Don't give all your spare change to the waiter. He doesn't expect more than ten per cent of the bill up to fifty francs and then five per cent after that.

"Don't accept outside rates in exchange for pounds and dollars. Go to a

bank where you will get the right and lawful exchange.

"Don't ask advice from strangers. Go to people in authority or recognized associations of your own country.

"Whenever you go into a shop to buy anything—always ask the price first.

"Whenever you order a drink notice that the price is marked on the menu upon which it is served.

## FAMOUS FRENCH AVIATOR KILLED

Paris, Sept. 18.—Captain Roedel, one of the oldest in service and one of the most remarkable of French military aviators, has just been killed in a flying accident at Villacoublay, after risking death a thousand times over the enemy's lines.

Captain Roedel was the creator of the French system of regulating artillery fire from airplanes. Among his exploits was the destruction of half of the artillery of the Sixteenth German army corps in the vicinity of Trineourt, September 5, 1914. This achievement provoked a general note by Marshal Joffre regarding the use of "airplanes of combat."

Two days after his success near Trineourt, Captain Roedel, flying at a height of 300 yards, discovered the position of a division of Bavarian infantry in the region of Vaux Marie, signalled it to the artillery, then got back to camp with his machine riddled with bullets and shell fragments. When the French infantry advanced and occupied the position, they found 4,800 dead Bavarians on the field, all victims of the French 3-inch field guns.

Captain Roedel had won the cross of the legion of honor and the War cross of with six palms for as many citations in the orders of the army.

## ANTI-TETANUS SERUM EFFICIENT

Paris, Sept. 18.—During the last meeting of the Surgical Society, Doctor Fretet mentioned a fact which seemed to show the value of preventive injections of anti-tetanus serum.

After the battle of Dureq, a certain number of wounded French and German soldiers were collected in a hospital. A German doctor had remained with the German wounded and, although sufficient serum was placed at his disposal, he refused to use it for his men, saying that he considered such injections had no preventive value.

The French wounded received the normal doses of serum. Of twelve German wounded, six contracted tetanus (lock-jaw) and died, while no French wounded showed any symptom of it. This evidence of the serum's preventive efficacy has all the more weight because all the men had been wounded under the same conditions and on the same tetanus-infected ground.



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## BRITAIN'S HIGHEST WOMAN OFFICER

London, Sept. 18.—The highest woman officer in the British army is Mrs. A. M. Chalmers-Watson, M. D., who has just been appointed chief controller of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps,

which has over 4,000 members on duty behind the lines in France.

Mrs. Watson is a sister of Sir Eric was the first woman physician graduated from Edinburgh University.

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